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**CONFIDENT:** Southend Airport's managing director, Alastair Welch. Picture by Mark Cleveland

## PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO AIRPORT PROPOSALS

PLANS to extend Southend Airport's runway could be delayed after the Government ordered a public inquiry.

The Secretary of State for Transport, Philip Hammond, has called for an investigation into the proposed closure of Eastwoodbury Lane, which was previously approved by Southend Council.

Airport bosses are looking to replace the road with a new link road, between Eastwoodbury Lane and Nestuda Way, to allow a 300m extension of the runway to go ahead.

Managing director Alastair Welch said staff were working to ensure the airport would still be operational for the 2012 Olympics.

He explained: "We have carefully planned the airport's development and we are working with the appropriate authorities over a number of matters and can confirm that we remain on programme to complete the redevelopment in time for the Olympics."

Southend Council is contributing to the cost of upgrading the specification of the new road. A spokesman said a public inquiry

had been expected.

Head of planning and transport, Andrew Meddle, explained: "The Secretary of State's decision to call a public enquiry into this matter is not unexpected.

"The airport operators carried out a public consultation over their proposals to close the old road and the Secretary of State is duty bound to call an enquiry in the event of a single objection."

The decision for a public inquiry came following objections from residents and campaign group, Stop Airport Expansion Now.

Campaign group spokesman, Denis Walker, said: "This is the first time that the runway extension development will receive public scrutiny, so it's excellent news for our campaign.

"We are confident that in the cold light of day, the justification for closing Eastwoodbury Lane to enable the runway extension doesn't stand up to scrutiny."

"The economic, environmental and social costs all outweigh any benefit and we look forward to the opportunity to explain this to a Government Inspector."

### Driver injured

A ROAD collision in Southend resulted in the driver being hospitalised.

A Toyota Carina struck a lamppost and overturned in Southchurch Boulevard on Friday, March 4, at about 5pm.

The elderly driver received slight injuries and was taken to Southend Hospital.

Any witnesses should contact PC Dave Andre at Laindon Road Policing Unit on 0300 333 4444.

### No Smoking Day

TO MARK National No Smoking Day, the NHS South East Essex Stop Smoking Team will be visiting local supermarkets to offer help and advice to people who want to quit. Smokers will also be able to have a free carbon monoxide test.

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### Spring Prize Draw

A LOCAL charity is offering people the chance to win £3,000.

Havens Hospices Spring Prize Draw takes place on Thursday, March 31, and for £1 per ticket, there are three cash prizes to be won.

The charity is looking for volunteers to sell tickets to their friends and family by Wednesday, March 23 - to sign up, call Carmel Hudson on 01702 220314.

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**DANGEROUS: A Shar Pei - also known as a Chinese fighting dog.**  
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# Shoebury mum jailed over dangerous dog

By Matthew Stanton

A SHOEBURY mother has been jailed after her Chinese fighting dog bit a teenager.

Jessica Gill, 30, of Bunters Avenue, will serve eight weeks in prison after she was found guilty of keeping a dangerous dog.

Southend Magistrates Court heard how her pet Shar Pei, Snoopy, got under a fence before fighting with a bull terrier.

A 15-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was bitten

on the hand as he attempted to break the dogs up.

Magistrate Jill Crowe agreed the animal should not be put down, but banned Gill from keeping a dog for five years.

Gill's defence, Lee Willcockson, insisted his client was not a careless owner.

He said: "This was not a case of Snoopy going on a craze. This is a case of Snoopy getting under a fence and fighting with another dog before biting a young boy who tried breaking up the two dogs.

"We believe the dog suffered from a condition called kennel craze following its time in kennels and the problem will be addressed by neutering and muzzling him.

"Like the dogs she takes on, Miss Gill is a stray and her pets offer her comfort after a childhood of domestic abuse."

The court was told that Gill had previously received an ASBO and was barred from keeping dogs for three years in 2005 because her Rottweiler, Cooper, terrorised other local residents.

Other dogs Gill had previously kept killed cats and 'terrorised children' while on the loose, the court heard.

Gill was re-appearing over the offence, which occurred on April 29 last year, after breaching conditions set down by the court previously.

She was sentenced to a total of 14 weeks, which included one week for failing to appear at court and one week for breaching three conditional discharges. She had previous convictions for common assault and stealing a bicycle. She was also ordered to pay £60 court costs.

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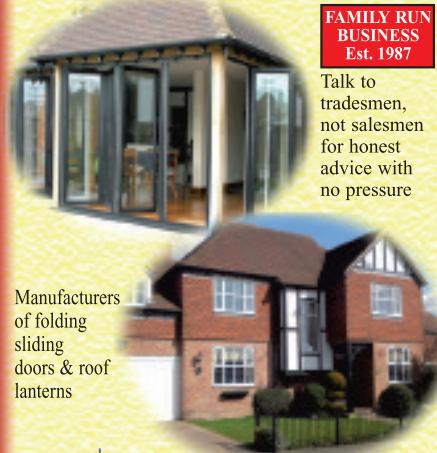
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### Hockley man fined

AN ESTATE agent who assaulted a council officer investigating reports of loud music has been ordered to do 150 hours community service.

Gavin Hockett, of Main Road, Hockley, pleaded guilty to common assault and resisting arrest at Southend Magistrates Court on Thursday.

The 30-year-old was sitting in a black Audi in Western Road, Leigh, at around 1.10am on Sunday, August 15 last year when Roger Trehorne asked him about the reports.

Hockett, who had been drinking, punched Mr Trehorne in the mouth before a struggle took place between the estate agent and a police officer.

Hockett's defence claimed the assault was 'out-of-character' and the defendant, who was living in a flat off the street at the time, had ongoing problems with neighbours.

Magistrate Jill Crowe ordered unpaid work to be carried out and costs and compensation to be paid totalling £205.

### Citizen Awards

DO YOU know someone who is an exemplary citizen or an organisation that helps the community?

If so, now is the time to let the organisers of the fifth annual Citizen of Southend Awards know.

Anyone aged eight to 80 can be nominated for an award - the only rule is that they must live in the borough of Southend.

Members of the public have until June 30 to nominate their top citizens - to get involved, visit [www.citizenofsouthend.co.uk](http://www.citizenofsouthend.co.uk)

### Six Book Challenge

SOUTHEND Libraries are teaming up with Southend Adult Community College to encourage people to take part in the Six Book Challenge.

This free scheme invites less confident readers to work through any six books of their choice and then record their views in a reading diary.

For more information, contact Simon Wallace, community and diversity team manager, on 01702 215011 ext 4125.



# Me and my...

AN Eastwood church has got a new minister. **Darren Pike** has arrived at Eastwood Baptist Church, in Rayleigh Road, and his induction will take place on Saturday, March 26, in the presence of Southend Mayor, Ann Holland, and other dignitaries. The Yellow Advertiser welcomed him to the area with a few light-hearted questions...

**NAME:** Darren Pike.

**AGE:** 37.

**BIRTHPLACE:** Bristol.

**EDUCATION:** I went to the University of the West of England to study nursing then studied theology in Bristol.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have a BA Hons in theology and a diploma in nursing.

**WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU STARTED SCHOOL AT FIVE?**: I wanted to be a train driver, like most boys.

**WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU WERE 16?**: A vicar.

**MARITAL STATUS:** Married.

**HOW LONG IN RELATIONSHIP?**: 13 years.

**CHILDREN:** Three monsters known as Daisy, nine, Molly, seven, and Thomas, five.

**BRIEF CV:** I was a youth worker, a trainer, and then a nurse working in orthopaedics, urology and finally ITU. I then did my training to become a minister at a church in Devon.

**OTHER INTERESTS:** I love steam trains and Exeter City football club.

**FAVOURITE BOOK**

**GENRE:** I can't resist a good spy novel.

**FAVOURITE FILM:** The Princess Bride - I just think it is so funny.

**FAVOURITE MEMORY:** The births of my children.

**VIRTUES:** Good sense of humour, I guess.

**NEGATIVE TRAITS:** I am bossy and I suck my thumb.

**VICES:** I drink far too much Diet Coke.

**FAVOURITE FOOD:** I will eat anything but I am partial to a good curry.

**FAVOURITE DRINK:** Diet Coke.

**FAVOURITE TV:** I watch Casualty and Holby City purely to sit there and pick the treatment and techniques to bits.

**FAVOURITE RADIO:** I have started to listen to BBC Essex. There is a woman on in the afternoons who sounds like a proper Essex girl and a bit scary, but she is funny.

**WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A FILM?**: Someone who appears to be wise, like Martin Sheen in the West Wing. My wife thinks David Tennant, for reasons best known to herself.

**IDOL:** Jesus.

**FAVOURITE MUSIC:** I have quite an eclectic mix. I like pop, rock... all sorts.



Picture by Mark Cleveland

LEAST FAVOURITE MUSIC: Opera - what's that all about?

**LAST ALBUM BOUGHT:** Eliza Doolittle.

**CAR:** People carrier.

**FAVOURITE WORD:** I apparently say 'pants' a lot.

**IF YOU WERE INVISIBLE FOR THE DAY,**

**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?:** I'd go to the Houses of

Parliament to get a look at what really happens.

**BIGGEST FEAR:** Snakes.

**DESCRIBE YOUR PERFECT WEEKEND:** Leaving the children with the in-laws and camping with my wife.

**YOU'RE HAVING A DINNER PARTY AND CAN INVITE FIVE PEOPLE, LIVING OR DEAD.**

**WHO?:** Jesus, Tony Blair, Dawn French, Sandra Bullock and Charles

Spurgeon, who is responsible for setting up most of the Baptist churches in the area.

**WHAT THREE ITEMS WOULD YOU TAKE TO A DESERT ISLAND, NOT INCLUDING FOOD OR DRINK?:** My Bible, my wife and my laptop.

**FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION:** Camping anywhere in Britain. I don't think anywhere can match its variety and beauty.

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### Road rage appeal

A ROAD rage incident has taken place in Eastwood.

A 26-year-old man was driving his silver Ford Fiesta along Rayleigh Road, near Rochford Corner, at around 9.30am on Saturday, February 26, when he had a disagreement with the driver of a blue or black Vauxhall Astra.

Both men got out of their cars and the Astra driver allegedly assaulted the other driver, throwing him against his Fiesta and causing the wingmirror to snap off - if you saw the incident, call police on 0300 333 4444.

### Moped stolen

A MOPED has been stolen from the rear of a property in East Street, Southend.

The blue Aprilia moped, bearing the registration W172 BHK, was taken between 9pm on Friday, February 25, and 5.30am the next day.

Anyone with information about the theft should call PC Stuart Burch on 0300 333 4444.

### Bag theft

A BAG has been stolen from Southend bus station.

On Saturday, February 19, a green vanity case was accidentally left unattended at either bus stop A or bus stop B between 3pm and 5pm.

The bag contained clothing and cosmetics and had an estimated value of £60.

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## Chatterbox Challenge

By Karen Davis

CHILDREN at Southend Central Library have certainly had a busy week.

As well as taking part in the 10th anniversary Chatterbox Challenge, the youngsters also joined a World Record attempt for the largest game of Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes.

Scores of children sung

songs and rhymes to help develop their language skills, and also collected sponsorship to help i CAN - a charity that helps children who struggle to communicate.

Chatterbox Challenge is supported by Openreach, a BT Group Business, and aims to bring UK children under the age of five together to learn, have fun and raise money for

less fortunate youngsters.

i CAN chief executive, Virginia Beardshaw, said: "This is a very special year for the Chatterbox Challenge as it is the 10th Anniversary."

**RECORD BREAKERS:** Kids in Southend attempt to beat the World Record for the largest game of Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes.

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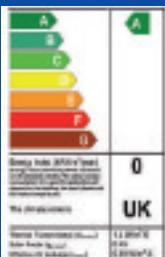
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# New rehabilitation centre

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A NEW rehabilitation suite for patients who have lost limbs has opened at Southend Hospital.

Charity veteran, Joyce Long MBE, unveiled the facility in the wound management unit in Balmoral Ward on Tuesday.

The 81-year-old, from Thundersley, invested in £4,000 of adapted equipment for the suite to help aid patients on the road to recovery.

Equipment includes a special couch, foldaway parallel bars and a run of steps to help patients get used to stairs.

Joyce, who has raised around £1.5million since beginning her charity marathon 25 years ago, said: "I am very pleased to be able to help these patients, who face a lot of challenges."

"We need to encourage people to get moving and active again despite the injuries they have faced."

"I want to thank all those who have helped me fundraise

through the garden sales."

The hospital offers 'walking school' sessions at its rehab gym.

This service is only available twice a week and the group setting is not always appropriate for some patients.

The majority of amputees are those who have suffered circulatory diseases or who have severe cases of diabetes.

Sue Edwards, tissue viability nurse specialist, said: "The amputee suite is open for inpatients and outpatients five days a week, and the beauty of it is we can offer one-to-one sessions, which have really helped bring on some patients who have made slow progress at walking school."

"We are very grateful to Joyce for all the support she has given us."

**OPEN:** Joyce Long MBE with patient Sybyl Kerring inside the new rehabilitation unit.

Picture by Mark Cleveland



## Concerns raised after Southchurch attacks

FEARS have been raised that there is a pervert on the loose after two incidents involving young girls in Southchurch.

A 15-year-old girl was walking along Victoria Road, near the junction with Shaftesbury Avenue, at 1.50pm on Sunday, February 27, when a man grabbed her wrist and attempted to pull her into an alleyway.

The victim managed to get away from the man and ran to a relative's

house nearby.

The suspect is described as an Asian man, in his 20s, of medium build and around 5ft 6in to 5ft 8in tall.

He wore dark blue jeans and a raincoat with the hood up.

Investigating officer, PC Lewis Kearney, said: "I am sure there will have been people milling around the area, heading to Southchurch Park on Sunday afternoon.

"Did you see a man matching this

description acting suspiciously in the area? I'd be pleased to hear from you if you have any information."

PC Kearney can be contacted at Shoebury Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

Police are also investigating a possible link between this incident and one that happened at around 6.30pm on Monday, February 14.

In this incident, a 12-year-old girl was grabbed by a man in Southchurch

Road, who tried to kiss her forcibly and made inappropriate comments before she managed to run away.

The suspect was described as a slim Asian man in his late teens, about 5ft 6in tall, wearing a black coat, black trousers and black shoes, carrying a black laptop bag.

Any information about the earlier incident can be passed to PC Dave Thompson at Shoebury Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

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## Boat stolen

A BOAT has been stolen from Two Tree Island.

The 10ft red, white and blue fibreglass dinghy was taken some time between Monday, February 14 and Tuesday, March 1.

It was a Tepco 'Kongoni' vessel, with an estimated value of £200.

If you have any information about the theft, call PC Anderson at Leigh Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

# Southend blaze leaves two families homeless

By Karen Davis

A BLAZE at the weekend has left two families homeless.

Firefighters tackled the fire in a semi-detached house in Prince Avenue, Southend, in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Divisional Officer Martin Powell, incident commander, said: "The fire was called in by an off-duty officer who managed to get everyone out of the property after raising the alarm."

The incident involved a large semi-detached house split into two flats and situated at the side of the A127.

"The first crews at the scene were faced with a fully developed fire and they did an excellent job in acting swiftly to prevent spread to the adjoining property."

"Flames were already through the roof and about to break through but thanks to their quick thinking in getting inside the next-door house and holding back flames, that house was saved."

"Unfortunately, the two flats in the fire-affected house were destroyed by fire and collapsed."

"A couple and their two children suffered slight smoke inhalation and shock and were taken to hospital as a precautionary measure."

"A second couple, a dog and two parrots were left in the care of the Red Cross Fire Support team."

"All indications are that the cause of the fire was accidental but we are still completing our work here."

Simon Murdoch, from nearby Hampton Gardens, was out walking his dog at the time and captured the incident on camera.



**INFERNO:** The blaze in Prince Avenue, Southend.  
Picture by Simon Murdoch

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### Woman robbed

A YOUNG woman was attacked and robbed in Southend.

The 18-year-old was walking under the railway bridge in Chichester Road between 2am and 3am on Tuesday, February 22, when a man snatched her mobile phone from her hand.

The woman was left with bruising to her cheek and scratches down her arm.

The attacker is described as a tanned white man of Eastern European appearance, about 5ft 6in tall with short black hair.

He was aged about 22, wore a waist-length black leather jacket and spoke with an Eastern European accent.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Martin at Southend Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

### Attempted theft

OFFICERS are investigating an attempted burglary in Westcliff.

At 5am on Monday, February 7, someone attempted to gain entry to a home in Cotswold Road by removing some heading from a window and trying to jimmy open French doors with a garden spade.

The suspect was disturbed by the householder and was seen disappearing over the rear fence of the property. An estimated £600 damage was caused.

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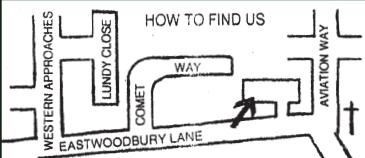
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# Flooding grant for fire service

By Karen Davis

ESSEX Fire Service is to receive a grant of £47,152 to help deal with flooding.

The money, from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), will be used to buy new equipment and provide training for a powered rescue team.

Announcing the new funding, environment minister Richard Benyon said: "In the event of a large-scale flood, it is important that we can call upon manpower and equipment from a wide range of emergency services and voluntary groups.

"The grant announced today will help to pay for vital flood rescue training and assets such as rescue boats that will be readily available wherever they are needed."

Fifteen organisations - including 11 other Fire and Rescue Services and charities such as St Johns Ambulance and the RSPCA - will receive grants amounting to a total of £820,000.

These grants form the final part of a £1.7m Defra run scheme to enhance local flood rescue capability.

All the equipment bought with the funding will be added to the National Asset Register of flood rescue resources that emergency services across the country can call upon in the event of a major



flood.

The successful applicants were announced as the nation's biggest emergency flooding exercise got underway.

Exercise Watermark will test the country's response to extreme river, tidal and reservoir flooding and ensure Essex is prepared to deal with floods.

The project will involve some 10,000 people from ten government departments, 34 local resilience forums, emergency responders, water and energy companies, hospitals and schools.

For the first time, communities will also be taking part - evacuating schools and installing flood defence products to protect properties.

The Government's crisis

response committee, COBR, will also be meeting.

Mr Benyon added: "Exercise Watermark stems from Sir Michael Pitt's recommendations following the 2007 floods which caused so much devastation and heartache.

"The Government is committed to implementing those recommendations and working with communities to minimise the risk to people's lives and their livelihoods.

"The events taking place this week will help us to be as prepared as we can be for the dangers caused by floods."

**FLOOD HELP: Essex County Fire and Rescue is getting a grant to help deal with local flooding.** Picture by Martin Dalton

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LOYAL SERVICE: Andrew and Paul Bowden, of Altex Glass, present Stewart Fentiman and Paul Gilbert with tankards and family holidays for 20 years' of service.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

## Staff rewarded for long service

By Karen Davis

A LOCAL business has rewarded two of its employees for their long and loyal service. Brothers, Andrew and Paul Bowden, run Altex Glass on the Robert Leonard Business Park, Southend.

Last week, they honoured Stewart Fentiman, 36, and Paul Gilbert, 45, who have worked for the company for 20 years.

In a surprise presentation, the

company gave the unsuspecting pair tankards and a holiday at Center Parcs to be enjoyed with their families.

Andrew said: "We decided to recognise the loyalty of our workers because it is so rare to have staff stick around for two years, let alone 20.

"Paul and Stewart have proved to be trustworthy and have seen us through the rough and smooth."

Over the years, Paul has

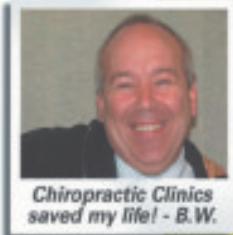
worked his way up from the shop floor to become production manager and despite being offered promotion several times, Stewart has preferred to stay hands-on.

"Our only problem now is we seem to have set a precedent as there are quite a few staff who have been here for 16 or 17 years," Andrew added.

"It looks like there will be a lot more presentations to come!"



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# Inspector joins Twitter

By Karen Davis

A SOUTHEND police inspector is leading the way when it comes to communicating with the public, after launching his own Twitter page.

Inspector Leigh Norris, who oversees policing in central Southend, was looking for a way to let people know what was happening in the town and to spread police-related good news stories.

Mr Norris came up with the idea of entering the world of

Twitter and enlisted the help of Essex Police's media department to set up a Twitter page - the first official one of its kind for the Force.

After a fortnight of 'tweeting', Insp Norris said: "Social media is big business which is growing at a rapid rate and, as a police force, it's important that we keep up with society and use a wide variety of media to communicate our messages, rather than just the traditional means."

Follow Inspector Leigh Norris on Twitter @southendinsp

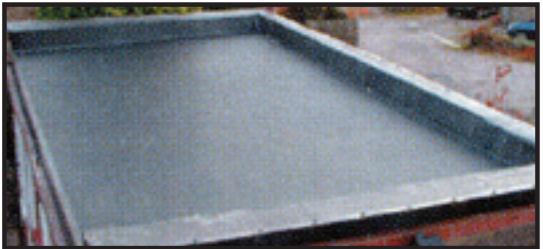


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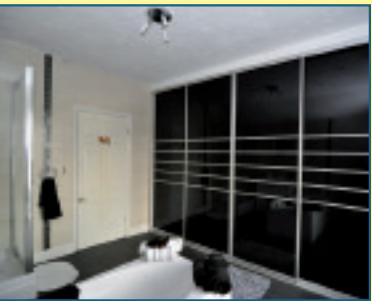
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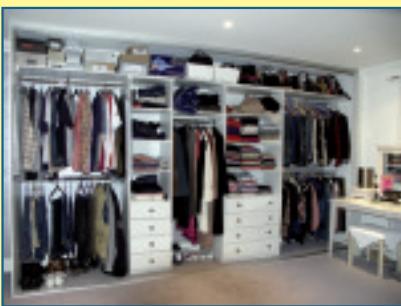


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# All aboard the Census bus

By Karen Davis

THE NATIONAL Census will be taking place on Sunday, March 27, and a big purple bus has been in Southend to promote it.

An expert Census team visited the town last week to answer people's Census questions.

Census area manager for Southend, Kevin Nason, said: "It has been a great day here in Southend."

"Lots of people have come along and had a chat with me and other members of the Census team onboard the bus, and we have hopefully answered all their questions about the upcoming Census."

Council leader, Councillor Nigel Holdcroft, said: "This Census is vitally important. If everyone fills in their Census form, then everyone in the borough will benefit."

"All kinds of future funding allocations for education, health, transport



and many more public services are made on the basis of the National Census. It is essential Southend receives the funding and investment it is entitled to."

"We would also like to reassure everyone that the Census data is strictly confidential and individual details are not shared with other organisations or Government departments."

"We are very pleased to be working with the Census team and hope that anyone with any questions or worries about the Census will take the opportunity to visit the bus."

Questionnaires began dropping through letterboxes on Monday.

The Census can be completed online at [www.census.gov.uk](http://www.census.gov.uk) or on paper and posted back in the pre-paid envelope.

EXPERTS: The Census 2011 team in Southend with the big purple bus.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

# Cyclists on the mark

By Karen Davis

AN INNOVATIVE series of bike rides organised by Cycle Southend has won the prestigious London 2012 Inspire Mark.

Southend's Legacy 2012 supports the rides, called Gateway to the Games.

They start from different parts of Southend, and finish at Hadleigh Castle - the scene of the Olympic Mountain Biking events in August 2012.

They are among a small number of projects and events considered outstanding enough to contribute to the Games' lasting legacy, and have thereby won the special recognition of the Inspire Mark. This in turn gives the rides an even higher profile and more funding possibilities.

Last week, Mayor of Southend, Councillor Ann Holland, received the award from Joseph Ballard, Inspire Programme for 2012, in a ceremony at Southend Bandstand in Priory Park followed by the first of the cycle rides.

Councillor Mark Flewitt said: "Congratulations to Cycle Southend for gaining this terrific achievement. We hope as many people as possible will join in with these most enjoyable rides."

"They are being led by a qualified cycle trainer, and there are a host of other plans being developed for participants to make the most of their destination when they reach Hadleigh Castle."

"The Inspire Programme is entirely new, and the aim is that everyone will be inspired to watch, join in and to take part in the spirit of the Olympic Games and the Paralympic Games."

Future rides take place on:

■ Saturday, March 12 - 9am: Meeting point ReCycle Centre, Brunel Road, Eastwood. Mostly off-road (via woods in Castle Point, down into Hadleigh).

■ Sunday, March 20 - 9am: Meeting point Blenheim Park. Mostly off-road (via Castle Point woods).

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## Conditional discharge

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Slavko Sector, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to criminal damage at Southend Magistrates Court on Thursday after pulling down a drainpipe at 5.30am the same day in Southend High Street.

The 35-year-old was intoxicated during the crime and was caught on CCTV before being arrested.

Sector was given a 12-month conditional discharge.

## Fresh fruit and veg

HOME-GROWN fruit and vegetables will be sold in Great Wakering next weekend.

Great Wakering Farmers Market will take place on Saturday, March 19, at the Old School, in the High Street between 9am and 12noon.

For more information, call Barbara Wilkins on 01702 218631.

# Award for care home

By Karen Davis

A SOUTHEND care home has won a national award.

The Salvation Army's Bradbury Care Home, in Roots Hall Drive, has been given the Best Practice in Care prize at a national awards ceremony held by The Salvation Army.

The awards were judged by independent panels, with hundreds of Salvation Army social centres and community churches and thousands of staff in the UK and Republic of Ireland eligible for nomination by employees, service users, residents and by local community groups.

The care home, which has 34 residents, was commended for turning a disused bathroom into a 'reminiscence room'.

The room is packed with items from the past, such as a bakelite telephone, old cameras and irons, and old tins and packets from the 1930s, 40s and 50s, so it becomes an area that the residents feel comfortable with.

Bradbury Care Home manager, Lawrence Taylor, said: "I'm chuffed.

"Older people have a story to tell; a history.

"The staff have been scouring car boot sales and picking up bits and pieces for the reminiscence room.

"The award recognises that they've been doing good work, and that it's appreciated."

The Salvation Army's director of social services, Major Ray Irving, said: "Our awards in Older People's Services encourage and recognise the very best services and programmes we can offer people who are deserving of the best love and care that is available.

"Even when someone is in their 90s, or even older, they still want to be involved where they can, and it's our privilege to serve residents who have a lifetime of experience to offer."



**WINNER:** Bradbury Care Home manager, Lawrence Taylor, receives the Salvation Army award from the leader of The Salvation Army in the UK and Ireland, Commissioner John Matare.

## Police keen to trace witness

POLICE are appealing for a woman to come forward who is believed to be a key witness to a burglary investigation.

A house in the area of Lakeside Path, Canvey Island, was entered by burglars some time between 6.45am and 7pm on Wednesday, February 23.

The suspects used a garden tool stored in an unlocked container in the garden to smash a conservatory window before entering the house and stealing two iPods and cash from within, with a total value estimated at £450.

Investigating officer, PC Phil McCorkell, said: "Having heard about the burglary through

the grapevine, a woman knocked on the victim's door to offer some information but unfortunately the victim did not take her name. If that was you, or if you can assist the investigation in any way, please get in touch."

PC McCorkell can be contacted at Southend Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

## Bag stolen

A BAG was stolen from a bus stop in Southend town centre.

A woman in her 30s left her bag on a seat, while waiting at the bus stop in Chichester Road, Southend, near Warrior Square on Saturday, February 26, at about 5.15pm.

When she went to retrieve her bag, it had been stolen. A member of the public found her bag discarded nearby soon afterwards but its contents - including a mobile phone, purse and other small items - had been removed.

The total value of the stolen items is estimated at almost £120.

PC Marc Shaddock was keen to warn other shoppers about this incident.

He said: "It only takes seconds for an opportunist thief to strike, given the opportunity. You can reduce your chances of becoming a victim by keeping a close eye on your possessions at all times and never leaving items unattended, even for the shortest time."

Anyone with information about this theft can contact PC Shaddock at Southend Police Station on 0300 333 4444.

## Women to hold rally

A RALLY will be taking place in Southend on Saturday, demanding that more women should be involved in peace-making.

Members of Soroptimist International of Southend-on-Sea and District will be showing support to ten years of little action on Resolution 1325.

The No Women No Peace campaign is calling for at least 40 per cent of UN peace negotiating teams to include women. It is part of the celebrations to mark the 100th anniversary of UN International Women's Day, which Southend and District members will take part in.

They will be taking part in the creation of a 'human poster' to illustrate the campaign.

The rally will be taking place on the Silver Street bridge in Cambridge at 12.15pm.

Margaret Sandercock explained: "We want the UK government to energetically promote and actively support women's participation in peace-building by placing it on the global agenda."

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# Thames to Tama

By Karen Davis

A NEW arts project was launched last week.

Arts group Metal and Southend Education Trust held the launch of Thames to Tama at Chalkwell Park.

More than 4,600 pupils from 24 Southend schools have contributed to create a stunning installation that illustrates the adventures of the 16th Century explorer, Will Adam, who became the first Briton to set foot in Japan.

Adam grew up and learned his trade as a navigator on the Thames.

He trained with Sir Francis Drake, played a role in the Battle of the Spanish Armada and eventually put together his own fleet of five Dutch ships and set off on a journey of discovery and epic adventure that took him to Japan.

Adam became an honoured Samurai, the right hand man for the Shogun of the day



and remained in Japan for the rest of his life.

He is an important historical figure for Japan to this day.

The project was conceived by artist Lee Baker, working with Metal, and has been made possible through Southend Education Trust's (SET) Dare to Dream Programme.

The installation will be open until Thursday, March 24, and forms part of a Festival of Learning. It celebrates the achievements of a number of SET programmes that have been taking place in schools over the last year.

**PICTURE THIS:**  
Adam Baldock and Max Knighton, from Westleigh Junior School, with some of the art work.

The installation will be open until

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## MONDAY

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my bill is correct.

Good afternoon,  
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If you have a query with your bill and need to get in touch, you can call us on 01702 215001. However the first few weeks after we send out the bills we are very busy and you may have to wait longer than usual to speak with a Customer Services Officer. If it is easier, you can email your enquiry to us at: [ctax@southend.gov.uk](mailto:ctax@southend.gov.uk) and it will be dealt with at the earliest opportunity.

If you have a question about your Council Tax, have a look on our website at: [www.southend.gov.uk](http://www.southend.gov.uk). You may find the answer there. There is also a lot of useful information in the Council Tax booklet sent with your bill, or you can phone us on 01702 215001 or alternatively email us your question at: [ctax@southend.gov.uk](mailto:ctax@southend.gov.uk).

## TUESDAY

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More information is also available on our website: [www.southend.gov.uk](http://www.southend.gov.uk).

## WEDNESDAY

Oh, he's going to  
ask me to move in.

Pat, there's something I've  
been meaning to ask you!

So your girlfriend is  
moving in with you but she  
is a student

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Although you have moved in together, you might still be entitled to a reduction in your Council Tax if either of you are full-time students (studying more than 21 hours per week). Or you might qualify for a discount if you have adapted your home to accommodate someone with a disability. These changes could include an additional ground floor bathroom or bedroom.

## THURSDAY

Hi Ed! I didn't receive my  
tip pass this year, can I  
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# YOUR COUNCIL TAX?

residents of Southend-on-Sea and every year, we have hopefully answered some of those questions here today.

**FRIDAY**



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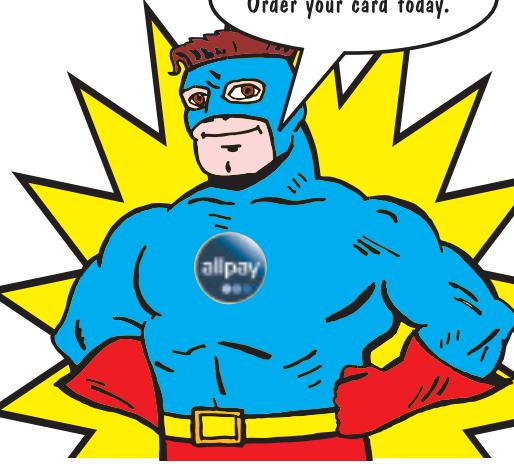
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**SATURDAY**



Hmmm! I get paid weekly; I could pay my monthly instalment over four weeks

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**SUNDAY**



The Council Tax bill assumes your circumstances will stay the same all year. However, we know that lots of changes such as moving house can occur during that time.

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# Party on the pier

By Karen Davis

THERE is to be a party on Southend Pier this Saturday.

The event, which will run from 1-3pm, highlights tourism in Southend past, present and future.

It is part of a national celebration taking place on piers around the country to launch the start of British Tourism Week 2011.

Visitors to the Pier will be able to experience a taste of the borough's calendar of multi-cultural events throughout the year.

Attractions will include English folk dance performers 'Cockleshell Clog', the South Essex Youth Symphony Orchestra, Polish dancers, jazz singers, jugglers, stunt fights with the E15 theatre production group and a fun Pier Quiz.

## Man prosecuted for racial abuse

A HADLEIGH call worker who racially abused a Chinese police officer during a strip search has been prosecuted.

James Cooper, of Seaford Road, was ordered to pay compensation and costs totalling £350 at Southend Magistrates Court on Thursday after pleading guilty to causing alarm and distress using racially aggravated words and failing to report back to court.

Police arrested the 20-year-old after he was refused entry to Mayhem nightclub, in Southend, on February 13, at 1.30am before swearing at a passing officer.

## Couple sought in burglary

A YOUNG couple are being sought following a burglary in Southend last week.

Burglars entered a home in Trinity Road, Southend, through unlocked rear patio doors between 5pm and 6pm on Thursday, February 24.

They stole electrical items and cash worth a total estimated value of £620.

Witnesses report seeing a man and a woman, both in their late teens, walking along the street drinking from alcohol containers.

A short while later, the same pair appeared from the rear of the bur-

gle property, carrying a bag, possibly coloured white.

They walked off and around the corner into Westbury Road. The man was about 5ft 10in tall, wearing a baseball cap and a white sweatshirt with dark stripes around the circumference of his torso. The woman was about 5ft 4in tall with dark brown shoulder length hair. She wore a red skirt and a dark top and was carrying a red handbag.

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There are activities for children and young people of all ages, including Peppa Pig arts and crafts and storytelling sessions, a chance to have a tour of the set of Verdict and the opportunity

to meet actor Matthew Lewis (Neville Longbottom in the Harry Potter films).

For more information, visit the FYT Week page at [www.thecliffs-pavilion.co.uk](http://www.thecliffs-pavilion.co.uk)

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All of us got our mail during the bad weather.

My local surgery had a backlog of prescriptions to get out last year. I was panicking in case mine didn't arrive in time but it arrived within two days and it had second class postage.

All too often, complaints are made about deliveries but a lot of the problem is because mail is incorrectly addressed and not the fault of the postal workers.

The postmen/women are always polite bright and cheery and smart in their uniforms. Although sometimes they are the bearers of bad news, the service provides a great deal of happiness to the elderly with cards and letters.

My relatives live abroad and have to use a postbox that has to be rented out and paid for and even then you have to walk a long way to collect

your mail.

Can you imagine what it would be like in this country if that happened? It would have a huge impact on people, especially the elderly.

Postal workers are sometimes the butt of people's jokes when all they want is job security and a liveable wage.

Sometimes the disputes are not about money; they are about giving people walks that are out of the area or having too many agency workers or sometimes not enough.

Although overtime is compulsory, there is an expectation for them to do it. With lots of behind-the-scenes jobs to do and the occasional bitten finger from the local dog, we should treat these people as valued members of society.

The Post Office is part of our British heritage and identity with the traditional red pillar boxes (except on the beloved Channel Islands where they are blue and yellow).

Let's keep it that way - don't let it be like the other local services we have lost.

**Mrs VA Burgess, Southend**

## Shame on you, Havens

PEOPLE who love Leigh unite and protest against the proposed building of a hospice! Havens want to build on Green Belt land, on the sea front at Leigh.

If a hospice is built here, then there is no reason at all why luxury flats cannot be built alongside it. The only ones who gain will be the developers and Southend Council, who will receive the high rates from these properties.

This land is Green Belt and used by us - the public - who give the money to support Havens Hospice.

Shame on you Havens for trying to steal this amenity from the people who make your charity possible.

**Name and address supplied**

## Lib Dems are running scared

IN many people's eyes, the Liberal Democrats are now indistinguishable from the Conservative Party.

No longer are they seen as an alternative to the Tories since joining them in Government. In fact, some of the more unpopular decisions are fronted up by Lib Dem ministers, so there is no hiding for them.

The local Lib Dems with the local elections two months away may be trying to distance themselves, but this is only to avoid wipe-out on May 5. They are seeing that the electorate's anger at what the Con-Dem coalition is doing will be

largely directed at them.

Do not be fooled by such lines as 'there is no coalition in Southend' - local Lib Dems have been nothing but supportive of decisions taken by their Westminster colleagues.

Recent election results give an indication of what is in store for them. So wedged have the Lib Dems become to the Tory cause that there is no option for them but to tough it out.

There is only one opposition party that matters nowadays - the Labour Party.

We are the alternative to attacks on public services and a ruinous approach to a sick economy that will see ordinary families having to pay for a crisis that was not of their making.

There cannot be many students left who will mark an 'X' against a Lib Dem. They have borne the brunt of the pain so far, but it does not stop with them. The disabled and those who chose partnership over marriage are also being discriminated against.

I urge all who do not like what they are seeing either at Westminster or in their town halls to make sure their voices are heard. Democracy is all about accountability; make the Lib Dems and the Tories accountable for what they are doing.

Dyed in the wool Tory fans will doubtless display their loyalty; Lib Dem supporters who saw their choice as being anti-Tory will have to find other outlets for this expression.

The Lib Dem candidates will see their heartaches begin at 7am on Thursday, May 5. This is when polling stations open, and this is when they will see just how disappointed the electorate are with what they are doing.

**Julian Ware-Lane  
Labour candidate for Milton  
ward, Leigh-on-Sea**

## We need much more greenery

AS the so-called Victoria Circus improvement scheme continues, it looks increasingly like the end result will be a vast expanse of unattractive paving-stones and tarmac with very little greenery.

This will be a sad contrast to the grassy roundabout that preceded it with its beautiful flower beds and mature trees, which the council chose to demolish.

In addition to the unattractiveness of the scheme, the lack of foliage means there are no natural windbreakers.

The top end of Victoria Avenue is like a wind tunnel at the best of times and, from what I have observed, the lack of foliage in this new scheme

allows the wind to funnel through to Queensway, making this an unpleasant windswept pedestrian area. More greenery is definitely needed to replace what was lost.

**Mike Royston, Westcliff**

## Do we really need giant posts?

HAS Southend Council gone mad and grown its own rainforest? Suddenly, there are numerous four-foot blocks of wood appearing on grass verges in the West Leigh area, purporting to stop vehicles from driving on to, or parking on, these grass verges.

While I will agree this is something that has to be stopped to avoid the verges becoming deeply rutted and damaged, I do question the size of these posts and, more importantly perhaps, the siting of some of them.

Surely, something a little more discreet would have been more appropriate?

OK, so to stop inconsiderate and verge damaging parking, this would appear to be a necessary measure where there is a long stretch of verge that needs protecting, but to site them (in some cases) close to an existing telegraph pole or a mature tree, is sheer madness and a total waste of ratepayers' money.

Also, no consideration appears to have been given to the difficulties that may be experienced by disabled or elderly persons, or mothers with young children, living where these posts have been sited.

Surely, this money would have been better spent on repairing road damage around the town, caused by the recent severe winter weather, to the benefit of all road users.

**Alan Watkins, Leigh-on-Sea**

## You're wrong about the airport, Mr Jarvis

I FEEL that I must respond to the vitriolic letter written by the embittered Lee Jarvis (YA Letters, Feb 24), but I shall try to do so without launching a personal attack.

Mr Jarvis accuses SAEN of telling lies, avoiding the truth, making things up and of not really being worried about the residents of Southend, and by implication, accuses Denis Walker of the same.

Truth is stranger than fiction, and SAEN members, committee and followers have kept a strict regard for the truth ever since their first

meeting.

People at that meeting were pleased someone had volunteered to take on the case of the airport extension, that spokesmen would be dealing with the authorities, writing letters, organising leaflet drops, allocating finance to where it can do the most good, researching information, and above all, putting the residents of Southend first.

Sometimes lies go under the title of 'spin'; the spin created by the council and not contradicted by anyone at the airport would suggest that there will be 6,700 jobs available when the airport expands. This is very far from the truth.

Southampton, quoted by Mr Jarvis, has nearly two million passengers a year and 'more than 1,200 (people) in 30 different companies of whom 200 are BAA Southampton employees' (BAA Southampton). Only 200, Mr Jarvis, not 6,700.

I do understand the desperate need for jobs in Southend, as elsewhere, in this current economic climate, but this inflated figure is not to be believed.

It includes the forecast for jobs to be created within the Saxon Business Park as part of the Rochford/Southend Area Action Plan, of which the airport extension was only a part.

Taking the planning application out of the Action Plan seems to have brought the rest of that particular initiative to a dead halt, as nothing more has been said about it for well over a year.

Mr Jarvis says that 'most residents want the runway extension to happen', but if this is so, where are all the letters of support they could have sent to the council when the proposition was first made?

The letters sent to the council during the Consultation were overwhelmingly against the extension, against the closure of Eastwoodbury Lane, against the destruction of part of Eastwood Church wall, and against the thought of having 52,500 flights a year as well as night flights for freight planes.

SAEN is worried; worried about the apathy that a lot of residents have; worried about the effects of noise and air pollution on our residents' physical and mental health; worried about the potential loss of a church which is older than Southend itself; worried about jamming up the two main approach roads of the borough with extra traffic; worried that a project which could be short-lived in view of failing oil supplies will spell devastation for parts of the town; worried that 20,000 people under the flight path may actually be in danger from the threat of airport expansion.

I am sorry, Mr Jarvis, but you are wrong on all counts in your letter. Please check out the SAEN website.

**Kitti Theobald, Westcliff**

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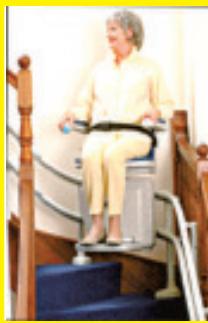


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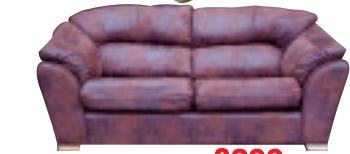


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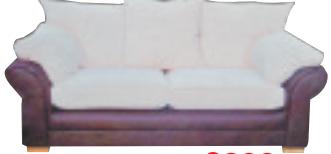


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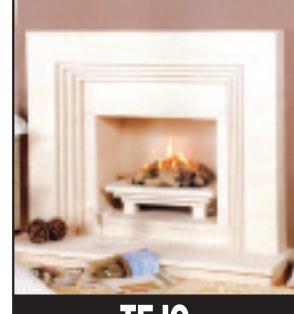
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## our verdict

We went to this place called Papermill Lock before and Heybridge Basin was a lot like it. There was a tearoom, a lock and a long canal with lots of boats tied up along it. There were people working on some of the boats and we watched them for a while. We also looked at boats on the river from the sea wall. There was a kiosk for canal cruises and rowing boat hire but it wasn't open. Mum said we could go back in the summer and have a go.

**Joseph Chambers, 13**



I really liked Heybridge Basin because it was very peaceful and quiet. It was a really long canal and there was a pathway which we could walk up and down. Some people were walking their dogs and some were riding their bikes. The canal had a lock like the one at

Papermill Lock, which lets the boats in and out of the canal. There was a really nice tearoom where we bought ice cream and there were also lots of places to sit and look at the boats.

**Joshua Chambers, 9**



## fact file

■ DIRECTIONS: You can reach the basin by car from the B1026 Goldhanger Road. Parking is free in the Daisy Meadow car park, next to the canal.

■ BOAT AND CANAL TRIP PRICES: One-hour day trips on the Elver cost £5.50 for adults and £4 for children and concessions. Two-hour sunset cruises cost £14 for adults and £11.50 for children and concessions. Rowing boat hire is £7.50 for an hour, £13.50 for two hours and £19 for three hours.

■ OPENING TIMES: From March 31, the Elver departs daily at 11.30am, 1pm, 2.30pm and 4pm, but it's worth booking your place in advance. The Lock tearoom is open from 9am to 5pm during the summer and 9am to 4pm during the winter.

■ FURTHER INFORMATION: For more about the basin, log on to [www.itsaboutmaldon.co.uk](http://www.itsaboutmaldon.co.uk)

**LIZ WADE and her two boys enjoy a relaxed pace of life during their visit to Heybridge Basin, in Maldon**

ONE of the nicest days out we've had over the last couple of years was at Papermill Lock, near Chelmsford, so when a colleague suggested we went somewhere similar, the boys jumped at the chance.

Heybridge Basin, in Maldon, didn't disappoint as it also offered a peaceful place for a stroll along a canal, with plenty of boats to look at and a place to sit and enjoy refreshments whilst admiring the view.

The basin is where the Chelmer and Blackwater navigation meets the tidal Blackwater estuary. It is the place where fresh water merges with salt water and the basin owes its existence to the 13-mile canal.

As Chelmsford expanded in the 1790s, the need for an effective system of transportation from the estuary to the centre of Essex was needed and an Act of Parliament was passed in 1793 to make and maintain a canal.

The basin at Heybridge was dug out so vessels could enter the canal through the sea lock and unload their cargo, and the stretch of canal between Heybridge Basin and Beeleigh was cut out by hand to bypass Maldon because the town opposed the canal as it feared losing trade.

The vessels on the canal have now been replaced with pleasure boats and Heybridge Basin has flourished.

In the spring, the basin and canal attracts plenty of walkers and birdwatchers, while boat owners prepare their vessels for enjoyment on the river over the summer months.

Throughout the summer, the area is a great place to sit and watch the comings and goings along the river and canal, from vessels using the lock to old barges making their way towards the sea.

Autumn is the best time to sit and enjoy the views across the River Northey and Osea Islands, while during the winter the basin offers a peaceful place to wander around before enjoying a bite to eat.

The basin's two pubs, which once served workers and visiting sailors, now cater for tourists and offer plenty of refreshments, as does The Lock tearoom.

The tearoom, which is situated on the sea wall, has both inside and outside seating and offers a range of food from breakfasts and homemade lunches to traditional cream teas.

From March 31 there will be even more to do at Heybridge, when Basin Pleasure Boats begin their canal cruises and rowing boat hire for the season.

Those who want to explore the navigation at their own pace can hire rowing boats on an hourly basis, which can carry up to four people and are suitable for people of all abilities.

The company also offers one-



**RELAXED:** The boys loved visiting Heybridge Basin.

hour cruise trips up to Beeleigh on the Elver, a 25ft steel narrowboat, as well as two-hour sunset cruises.

Heybridge Basin is a wonderful place to wander around, thanks to its facilities, picturesque scenes and its village, which

retains much of the character of bygone days.

It was definitely worth the hour-long car journey, which we will be happy to repeat during the summer months to enjoy some fun in the sun on the canal.

**Read about previous days out Liz and her boys have taken by logging on to [www.yellowad.co.uk](http://www.yellowad.co.uk) and clicking on 'Blogs'**

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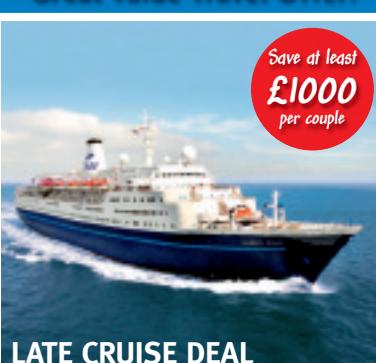
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### Saturday, March 12

- Coffee Morning, St Clement's Church, Leigh, 10.30am, homemade cakes our specialty, all welcome, in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care.
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- Open Day, Sunrise Health and Nutrition Centre, 31 Spa Road, Hockley, 10am-4.30pm, mini taster treatments all day, all £5, food and drink tasting, raising money for Fairhaven's.
- Walk, SE Essex Ramblers' Group, meet 9am, Rayleigh, Victoria Road car park, 9 miles Terling, Fairsted, Fuller Street, pub lunch stop.

- South Essex Youth Symphony Orchestra on Southend Pier, Western Esplanade, Southend, as part of 'Party on the Pier', music includes some favourite marches, 1-2pm, enquiries Visitor Information Centre 01702 618747.
- Concert, Southend Chamber Music Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Sutherland Boulevard, 7.30pm, admission £4 adults, 50p children/students, further details David Woods 01702 478625.
- Tenpin Bowling Club, Kursaal, Southend, (beginners welcome) 8-18 years, 9.30-11.45am, first week free, enquiries Bob 01702 505311.
- Modern Sequence Dancing, St Andrew's Church Hall, Electric Avenue, Westcliff, every Saturday 7-9.30pm, details Henry 01702 293794.
- Dad's and Kids Club, The Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Saturdays 10.30am-1.30pm, free admission, games,

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- Saturday Morning Club, St Michaels Church Hall, Leigh Road, every Saturday 10am-noon, entertainment provided by choirs, soloists, musicians, refreshments, admission free, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, 01702 437863.
- Different Strokes Exercise Class, St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, for those who have had a stroke, every Saturday 2.30pm 01702 465801.
- Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-op, St Michael's Church Hall (near car park entrance), Leigh Road/Mount Avenue, Leigh, every Saturday 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).
- Football School for Girls, Fryerns Recreation Ground, £1 drop in sessions every Saturday 10.30-11.30am, in association with Leigh Celtic Girls and Ladies FC. 07882 694558.
- Fun Football Training Sessions, Memorial Park, Wickford (Highcliff Road entrance), every Saturday 9.30-10.30am, under 5s and under 6s, parents encouraged to stay and watch, boys and girls welcome, further details 01268 769902.
- Footie Tots, Swain School, Rayleigh, Saturday mornings from 9am, 3 years upwards, further details Shane 07887 627385/07790 938009.

### Sunday, March 13

- Self help group for stammerers meets on the second Sunday of every month in the Basildon area. Call 01268 454081 or 07964 356042.
- Christine's Figure of Eight Pub Walk, SE Essex Ramblers' Group and Rochford and Castle Point Group, meet 9.15am, Rayleigh, Victoria Road car park for car share, starts The Cricketers' Danbury, 10am and/or 1.30pm, 11 miles, optional lunch at The Cricketers, call 07940 547691 if you are joining the afternoon walk only.
- Open, The Hockey and District Horticultural Society trading, every Sunday 10am-noon, for all your gardening sundries, situated behind Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell.
- Jazz, Westcliff Hotel, Westcliff, Ron Spack's Dinner Jazz, 1pm. 01702 345247.
- Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation, Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, Sundays 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.
- Greek Community of Southend and

District, Church of St Barbara, St Phanourious and St Pauls, Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, every Sunday 10am-noon. 01702 466435.

- Sunday Club, TGH Evangelical Church, Kiln Road, Thundersley, (children 3-12 years), Bible stories, craft, singing, every Sunday 10.45-11.45am, no charge, further details 01702 554904.

### Monday, March 14

- Epilepsy Support Group - friendly discussion, speakers and activities, 7.45-10pm, George Hurd Centre, Basildon, further details Carole on 01268 270697.
- Benfleet Camera Club, St George's Church Hall, Rushbottom Lane, Benfleet, 'Enprint panel competition', 8-10pm.
- Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Ron Spack's Jazzyet with Tim Huskisson clarinet/Miken Sagrott guitar, 8.30pm. 01702 512819.
- Over 50's Social Session, Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, 2.30-4.30pm, £2.50 a session, board games, quizzes, pool, Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays.
- Leigh on Sea Caledonian Dancers, St James Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, Mondays 7.30-10.15pm, new members welcome, first night free, 01702 354414.
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### Tuesday, March 15

- Meeting, Laindon and District Horticultural Society, Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road, Laindon, 'Humphry Repton - 18C Landscape Gardener in Essex', 8pm, annual membership £7, visitors £1.50.
- Lunchtime Recorded Music, Committee Room 3, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend, 'The Men in My Life' presented by Sheila Cooper, 12.45-1.45pm, admission free.
- Walk, Rochford and Castle Point Group, meet car park opposite The Viper pub, Mill Green, 9.45am, opportunity for pub lunch at Blackmore or bring a packed lunch, 9 miles.
- Folk Music, The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, upstairs at The Ship, New Road, Old Leigh, 'Croabha Rua', 8pm. 01702 715111.
- Highlands Forum, Highlands Methodist Church Hall, Sutherland Boulevard, Leigh, 'South Essex Organic Gardens' - Sam Bates, 2.30pm-4pm.
- Are you single and over 50? Come and join our friendship group at 8.30pm every Tuesday at South Benfleet Club, Benfleet. Call Maureen on 01268 692998.
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■ Singles Social Group, meets Halfway House Pub, Eastern Esplanade, Southend sea front, age group 50-65, every Tuesday 8pm, 07752 613021.

■ Carpet Bowls, Eastwood Community Hall, by Morrisons, Tuesdays 1.45-3.45pm, come and try, no experience necessary, also Thursdays 3.30-5.30pm.

■ Walking Club, Phoenix Striders, meet 7pm Markham Chase Sports Centre, fun hour walking depart 7.15pm, every Tuesday and Thursday. 01268 415469.

■ Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mencap), Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, Tuesdays 7.9-4.50pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, membership details 01702 341250.

■ Tuesday Luncheon Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, further details 01702 478691-525141/340617.

■ Depression: Self Help Group, every Tuesday 8-9.30pm, and Thursdays 12.30-2pm, we are a very successful and caring group, Michael 01268 527283.

■ Vange Tots, The Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, every Tuesday 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, snack and drinks provided for all. 01268 498642.

■ Shoebury Flagship, Rainbow Children's Centre, Friars School, Constable Way, Shoebury, every Tuesday 1.30-3.30pm, health visiting team offering activities, advice and support for parents with babies and children aged up to 5 years, further details 01702 577656.

■ Cherydown Children's Centre, 4 Cherydown West, Basildon, Toddler Development (9-18 months), 10-11.30am; Baby Development (0-9 months) 10-11.30am; Healthy Snack 11.30pm-noon; Breastfeeding Support Group noon-2pm.

■ Mucky Bits, Messy Play, Leigh Cricket Club (West Side), Chalkwell Park, Leigh, 1-4

years, 10-11.15am, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays, further details or to book a session call 01702 471492/473626.

## Wednesday, March 16

■ Illustrated Talk, The Leigh Society, Wesley Methodist Church, Elm Road, Leigh, 'Rayleigh Through the Looking Glass' by Mike Davies, 8pm, non-members welcome.

■ Barn Dance Club, Grand Cenil Club, Southend Rugby Football Club, Sumpters Way, Southend, live music from Tyros, free entry on first visit, 8.30pm. 07818 622822.

■ Salsa, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over 50s, every Wednesday 11.30am-12.30pm, no partner required. 01268 465854.

■ Ballroom and Latin American Lessons, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh, every Wednesday 2.45-3.45pm, to raise funds for church hall. 01268 281488.

■ Southend Vox Choir, Temple Sutton School, Southend, every Wednesday 7.30-9.30pm, lively, fun choir for adults (18+), call Jo 07969 216366.

■ Over 50s Session, Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Wednesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm, badminton and short mat bowls, session price £3.00 includes refreshments and use of equipment. 01268 779100.

■ Leigh Singles Social Club, meet Wednesdays 8pm The Elms Pub, Leigh, age group 45-65 years, further details Sue 07917 573653.

■ Played Bowls Before? Come and try it at FS&S Club, Gardeners Close, Basildon, all weather green, free coaching given, regular club mornings, call Charlie 0177 623752.

■ Football Sessions for girls, Fryerns Recreation Ground, £1 drop in sessions, every Wednesday, 6-7pm, community project supported by Basildon Council, in association with Leigh Celtic Girls FC. 07882 456558.

■ Ladies Football, Futsal Fitness Sessions, Fryerns Recreation Ground, community project supported by Basildon Council, £1 drop in sessions every Wednesday 7-8pm, ages 16-60, call Paul 07882 456558.

■ Parent and Toddler Group, Little Angels, Steeple View Memorial Hall, Laindon, Wednesdays 1-3pm.

■ Parent and Toddler Group, Cherydown Children's Centre, 4 Cherydown West, Basildon, Wednesdays 1-2.30pm.

## Thursday, March 17

■ A Short AGM followed by an Illustrated

Talk, Southend and Rochford Essex Wildlife Trust local group, Westcliff United Reformed Church Hall, Kings Road, Westcliff, 'Maple Syrup' by Peter Brown, 7.30pm, £1.50 donation, including refreshments.

■ Live Music, O'Neill's, 119A High Street, Southend, St Patrick's Day event with live music from China White 9pm, open from 10am-midnight. 01702 332761.

■ Adult Swimming, James Hornsby School, beginners, improvers or just swim to keep fit, 7.30-8.30pm term time, further details 01268 543079.

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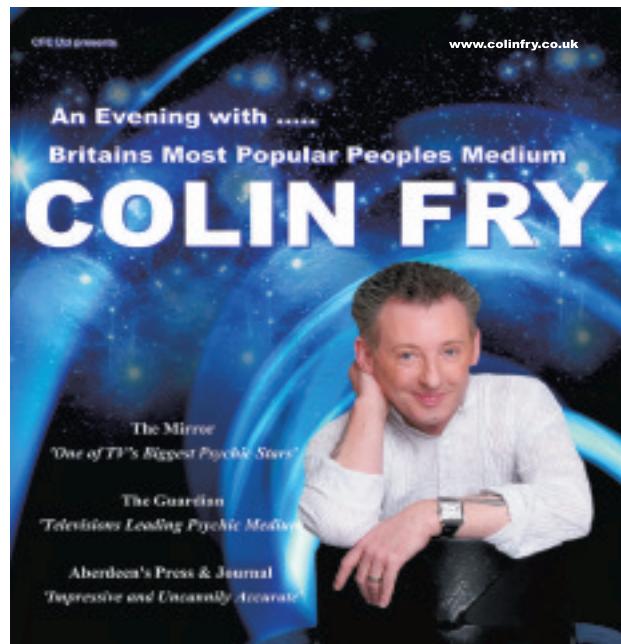
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by Jenny Green

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My partner and I chose to do this at London Heathrow before a recent holiday and why it's taken us so long, I really don't know. Normally we get up at the crack of dawn and either drive to the airport or let the train take the strain, but this time we decided to travel in style.

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The restaurant, which boasts delicious cuisine in intimate surroundings, has proved so popular since opening its doors just over a year ago, its owners have decided to offer even more for diners.

Wheeler's Tandoori is now serving a Sunday Buffet, between 1pm to late, which gives you the chance to choose from a selection of 24 delicious dishes.

The buffet, which costs just £5.95 per person, or £3.95 for children under the age of 12, is a great way to taste new dishes and is ideal for families because of its outstanding value-for-money.

As well as its buffet, Wheeler's has an extensive a la carte menu offering a wide choice of dishes, which are all individually cooked to order by a team of expert Indian chefs.

Wheeler's offers a special menu, which allows diners to choose any starter, main dish,

rice, side order, ice cream (or coffee) for £11.95.

The establishment is just how an Indian restaurant should be - serving authentic Indian cuisine, in traditional and intimate surroundings.

Its booths, complete with candlelit tables, offer diners privacy as they enjoy their meals at the own pace, while its magnificent decor, from red carpets to silk pictures on the walls, create an atmosphere like no other.

Its quiet and relaxing atmosphere is ideal for those who want to enjoy outstanding food in comfortable surroundings, making it the perfect choice this Mother's Day. Anyone interested in booking a table for Sunday, April 3, is urged to call as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. This Mother's Day, mums eat free from a selected menu with one paying adult.

Before opening its doors as a restaurant in 2009, Wheeler's had enjoyed almost 15 years of success as an Indian takeaway. Its owners, who have extensive experience in the restaurant industry,



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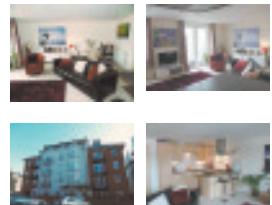
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- \* Fitted Kitchen
- \* Three Piece Bathroom Suite
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**STANFORD LE HOPE £625 pcm**

- \* New refurbished one bedroom ground floor flat.
- \* New kitchen with oven and hob
- \* Driveway with parking



**BASILDON £850 pcm**

- \* Modern three bed semi detached house
- \* Two double bedrooms & one single
- \* Fitted kitchen with appliances

LET BY



**PITSEA £775 pcm**

- \* Semi Detached Bungalow
- \* Fitted Kitchen
- \* Two Bedrooms



**STANFORD LE HOPE £650 pcm**

- \* Newly refurbished ground floor flat.
- \* Good size bedroom, bay window with views.
- \* Lounge, french doors leading to decking/garden.



**BASILDON £675 pcm**

- \* Two Double Bedroom Apartment
- \* Lounge With French Doors
- \* Fitted Kitchen With Oven & Hob
- \* White Bathroom Suite
- \* Allocated Parking
- \* Close To Mainline Railway



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**BASILDON £495 pcm**

- \* One Bedroom First Floor flat
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**GREAT WHEATLEY ROAD, RAYLEIGH** Price on application

FABULOUS FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOME IN ONE OF RAYLEIGH'S MOST SOUGHT AFTER LOCATIONS, DETAILS JUST RECEIVED, viewing and price details from Thursday 10th March



**PROBATE SALE, WARREN ROAD, LEIGH** Price on application

MODERNISATION AND IMPROVEMENT REQUIRED. THIS IMPRESSIVE DETACHED HOUSE OCCUPIES A LARGE SOUTH BACKING PLOT IN ONE OF LEIGH-ON-SEA'S MOST SOUGHT AFTER LOCATIONS. THE PROPERTY OFFERS IMMENSE SCOPE AND POTENTIAL FOR EXTENSION AND IMPROVEMENT. THE PRESENT ACCOMMODATION COMPRISES THREE / FOUR BEDROOMS, BATHROOM AND SHOWER ROOM, STUDY, LOUNGE, CONSERVATORY AND A KITCHEN WITH OPEN PLAN BREAKFAST ROOM. KEYS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ACCOMPANIED VIEWING AND SENSIBLE OFFERS WILL BE CONSIDERED. REF ETL4973



**HALL ROAD, ROCHFORD** GUIDE PRICE £998,000

KEYS AVAILABLE TO VIEW THIS FIVE BEDROOM DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE IN A HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER AND PRESTIGIOUS LOCATION OCCUPYING A WONDERFUL 60' X 460' SOUTH FACING PLOT WHICH BACKS DIRECTLY ON TO THE ROCHFORD HUNDRED GOLF COURSE. ROCHFORD STATION AND TOWN CENTRE ARE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE. THE PROPERTY IS SET WELL BACK FROM THE ROAD ENJOYING MAXIMUM SECLUSION. INTERNALLY THE PROPERTY OFFERS LARGE WELL PLANNED ACCOMMODATION WITH A WEALTH OF CHARACTER FEATURES. THIS PROPERTY IS OFFERED FOR SALE WITH NO ONWARD CHAIN. ETL4713



**SS16, Vange RURAL LOCATION** £440,000

FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED CHALET OCCUPYING A LARGE PLOT WITH ADDITIONAL 80' X 50' PLOT AND 50' X 242' GRAZING LAND PLOT INCLUDED. 37' X 20' DETACHED GARAGE/ WORKSHOP, ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM TO MASTER BEDROOM, FURTHER FAMILY BATHROOM, LARGE LOUNGE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, 23' X 10' KITCHEN, UTILITY ROOM, CLOAKS/W.C. UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY REF ETL 4758



**LEIGH-ON-SEA**  
£179,995

THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE IN POPULAR LOCATION OVERLOOKING PARK AND WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES INCLUDING THE WESTCLIFF HIGH SCHOOLS, 65' REAR GARDEN, LOUNGE AND SEPARATE DINING ROOM, MODERN FITTED KITCHEN, LUXURY BATHROOM WITH 4 PIECE SUITE, GAS C/H, NO ONWARD CHAIN REF ETL 4854



**CHALKWELL** - £595,000

FOUR/ FIVE BEDROOM IMPRESSIVE DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE OCCUPYING A LARGE SOUTH BACKING PLOT IN A MOST SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION JUST A SHORT WALK TO THE BEACH AND CHALKWELL STATION, 50' X 110' SOUTH FACING REAR GARDEN, 10'8 X 30' DOUBLE GARAGE, FOUR BEDROOMS, 19' X 12'7 MASTER BEDROOM WITH EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM, 13'6 X 11'2-5TH BEDROOM/ STUDY, 22' X 17'5 FABULOUS LOUNGE, 25'9 X 10'3 OAK PANELLING DINING ROOM, 18'8 X 9' KITCHEN, UTILITY ROOM, CLOAKS/ W.C., CELLAR, REF ETL 4797



**LARGE DOUBLE FRONTED FAMILY HOUSE, Eastwood** OIRO £249,995

A LARGE FAMILY HOUSE IN A CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION CLOSE TO PARKLAND. IMPRESSIVE ROAD FRONTAGE WITH OFF STREET PARKING AND DETACHED GARAGE. WEST FACING GARDEN, THREE FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS, BATHROOM AND SHOWER ROOM, 17'6 X 8'5 BESPOKE FITTED KITCHEN / BREAKFAST ROOM, UTILITY ROOM AND CLOAKS/ W.C., THREE BEDROOMS ON THE FIRST FLOOR PLUS 19' X 18' CONVERTED ATTIC ROOM WITH WINDOWS AND STAIRCASE. (OBVIOUS POTENTIAL FOR TWO FURTHER BEDROOMS STP) LUXURY BATHROOM, DELIGHTFUL SECLUDED REAR GARDEN. ETL 4841



**OFF THE BROADWAY, LEIGH-ON-SEA** £310,000

INTERNAL VIEWING ESSENTIAL OF THIS BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED CHARACTER HOUSE SITUATED CLOSE TO THE BROADWAY AND WALKING DISTANCE OF THE STATION. THE SUPERB ACCOMMODATION COMPRISES AN ELEGANT 18'6 X 13'6 LOUNGE WITH ORIGINAL WOOD FLOOR AND FIREPLACE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, 17'6 X 8'5 BESPOKE FITTED KITCHEN / BREAKFAST ROOM, UTILITY ROOM AND CLOAKS/ W.C., THREE BEDROOMS ON THE FIRST FLOOR PLUS 19' X 18' CONVERTED ATTIC ROOM WITH WINDOWS AND STAIRCASE. (OBVIOUS POTENTIAL FOR TWO FURTHER BEDROOMS STP) LUXURY BATHROOM, DELIGHTFUL SECLUDED REAR GARDEN. ETL 4841



**MARINE ESTATE, LEIGH-ON-SEA** £465,000

AN EXCEPTIONAL AND OUTSTANDING FOUR BEDROOM CHARACTER HOUSE OFFERING VERY LARGE ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING 16'3 X 10' REC HALL, 19'2 X 12'6 LOUNGE, 16'4 X 15'8 DINING ROOM WITH INGLENOOK STYLE FIREPLACE, CLOAKS/W.C., LUXURY KITCHEN AND UTILITY WITH INTEGRATED APPLIANCES, LOVELY CONSERVATORY/ BREAKFAST ROOM, LUXURY BATHROOM, MOST DESIRABLE LOCATION JUST OFF MARINE PARADE. WALKING DISTANCE OF STATION AND WITHIN THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOLS CATCHMENT AREA. ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES THREE BEDROOMS, LOUNGE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM AND A 22' KITCHEN/ BREAKFAST ROOM WITH FEATURE VAULTED CEILING, REF ETL 4848



**MARINE ESTATE, JUST OFF MARINE PARADE, LEIGH** £369,950



**DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE WITH SUPERB 96' GARDEN, ASHINGDON** £289,995

DETACHED FOUR BEDROOM FAMILY HOUSE WITH DOUBLE ASPECT LOUNGE/DINING ROOM, KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM, G.F. CLOAKROOM, EN-SUITE SHOWER TO MASTER BEDROOM, FAMILY BATHROOM, 96' APPROX. WELL TENDED REAR GARDEN, GARAGE AND AMPLE PARKING. CONVENIENT FOR SCHOOLS, NO ONWARD CHAIN. REF: ETL4828



**MARINE ESTATE, LEIGH-ON-SEA** £465,000

AN EXCEPTIONAL AND OUTSTANDING FOUR BEDROOM CHARACTER HOUSE OFFERING VERY LARGE ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING 16'3 X 10' REC HALL, 19'2 X 12'6 LOUNGE, 16'4 X 15'8 DINING ROOM WITH INGLENOOK STYLE FIREPLACE, CLOAKS/W.C., LUXURY KITCHEN AND UTILITY WITH INTEGRATED APPLIANCES, LOVELY CONSERVATORY/ BREAKFAST ROOM, LUXURY BATHROOM, MOST DESIRABLE LOCATION JUST OFF MARINE PARADE. WALKING DISTANCE OF STATION AND WITHIN THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOLS CATCHMENT AREA. ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES THREE BEDROOMS, LOUNGE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM AND A 22' KITCHEN/ BREAKFAST ROOM WITH FEATURE VAULTED CEILING, REF ETL 4848

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**OPEN HOUSE**





**Hadleigh £249,995**

Deceptively Spacious Four Bedroom Family Home - Convenient Location - Entrance Hall 11'2 x 10'11 - Lounge 13'5 x 11'4 - Dining Room 11'1 x 10'10 - Study 10'11 x 8'7 - Kitchen 12'0 x 6'4 - Utility Room 12'1 x 6'2 - Cloakroom - Bedroom One 137 x 11'4 - Bedroom Two 114 x 11'0 - Bedroom Three 110 x 9'2 - Bedroom Four 10'9 x 8'1 - Family Bathroom Suite 12'1 x 6'4 - South Backing Rear Garden In Excess Of 100ft - Ample Sheds/Outside Storage - Off Street Parking To The Front - Some General Updating Required - Easy Access Of Hadleigh Town Centre With Its Array Of Shopping And Eating Facilities - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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**Saturday 12th March, 12.00pm - 1.30pm. Thundersley £235,000**

Open House: Saturday 12th March 2011. 12pm - 1.30pm. 22 Prittle Close, Thundersley, Essex. SS7 3YR. Three Bedroom Semi Detached Family Home - Lounge 16'10 x 15'3 - Dining Room 10'0 x 8'2 - Kitchen 10'4 x 8'9 - Conservatory 8'7 x 7'7 - Bedroom One 12'6 x 9'1 - Bedroom Two 13'1 x 8'1 - Bedroom Three 8'2 x 7'6 - Bathroom - Backing On To Westwood Woodland - Cul- De-Sac Location - Detached Garage And Drive - Warm Air Central Heating - Double Glazing - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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**Leigh-on-Sea £169,995**

Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House - Popular Location - Lounge 15'3 x 11'7 - Kitchen 9'7 x 8'9 - Dining Room 8'2 x 8'0 - Bedroom One 14'11 x 10'5 - Bedroom Two 10'2 x 8'11 - Bedroom Three 9'8 x 7'6 - Partly Double Glazed - Good Size Rear Garden - Easy Access Of Local Shops And Bus Routes - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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**Thundersley £205,000**

Cottage Style Extended Two Bedroom Semi Detached Family Home - Lounge 12'10 x 10'6 - Sitting Room 11'0 x 10'11 - Kitchen/Breakfast Room With Vaulted Ceiling 17'2 x 9'5 - Bedroom One 12'11 x 10'5 - Bedroom Two 10'11 x 7'11 - Bathroom - Ground Floor Cloakroom - Mainly Double Glazed - Gas Central Heating With Combination Boiler - Extremely Popular And Sought After New Style Location - Over Looking Thundersley Common To Front - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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**Hadleigh £315,000**

Deceptively Spacious Detached Chalet - Lounge 13'0 x 12'11 - Sitting Room/Bedroom Four 10'2 x 9'11 - Kitchen/Diner 23'10 x 8'5 - Luxury Bathroom Suite 8'4 x 8'2 - Small Conservatory - Three First Floor Bedrooms - First Floor Shower Room - Double Glazed - Gas Central Heating - Sole Agents - Popular Cul De Sac Location - Viewing Advised

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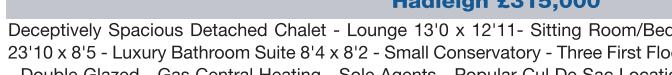
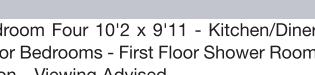




**Daws Heath, Hadleigh £390,000**

Five Bedroom Detached Family Home - Lounge 16'11 x 11'1 - Sitting Room 15'0 x 11'11 - Dining Room 12'9 x 8'10 - Luxury Fitted Kitchen With Granite Work Surfaces, Range Style Cooker, Dishwasher And Fridge Freezer To Remain 12'4 x 8'4 - Ground Floor Cloakroom - Double Glazed Throughout - Gas Central Heating - Conservatory 24'1 x 8'6 - Bedroom One 12'0 x 11'5 - Bedroom Two 12'6 x 8'4 - Bedroom Three 11'6 x 9'10 - Bedroom Four 10'0 x 9'5 - Bedroom Five 7'8 x 8'6 - Master Bedroom Having En-suite Bathroom - Extremely Well Maintained - Centralised Vacuum Cleaning System - Beautifully Landscaped Rear Garden - Popular Daws Heath Location - Sole Agents - Viewing Essential

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**Eastwood £205,000**

A traditional two bedroom semi detached bungalow located within a peaceful cul de sac position close to Eastwood shops. Inside the property offers spacious well presented living accommodation and we would recommend an immediate appointment to view.

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**Westcliff On Sea £119,995**

A really spacious two bedroom first floor flat ideally located for Chalkwell Park and the comprehensive shopping area on the London Road. The property is very well decorated including a spacious lounge with bay window. The sellers are able to offer no onward chain! Early viewing essential

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**Rayleigh £199,995**

Attractive Carter & Ward bungalow positioned close to Rayleigh Town Centre. The property has been refurbished to a good standard to include modern kitchen, Upvc double glazed Conservatory, two bedrooms and modern shower room. Outside is a neat rear garden and off street parking. No Chain - Keys held.

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**Thorpe Bay £289,995**

Substantial four bedroom family home set within an attractive setting within the sought after Bournes Green School Catchment area. The property is decorated in a charming 'Cottage' style theme throughout. Early viewing is a must to fully appreciate this fine home.

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**Rayleigh £139,995**

Modern stylishly decorated two bedroom first floor apartment located within the prestigious Copse Gate development at Rayleigh. The property features spacious living space and is an ideal first time purchase. In an effort to assist first time buyers the property is included within the Government assisted Key worker scheme which allows the buyer to pay 80% of the value hence the reduced asking price. Quick sale possible.

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**Rayleigh £174,995**

Very well priced two bedroom semi chalet - In need of some modernisation - Elevated position within easy distance to station & town centre - Offered for sale with no onward chain - Lounge - Kitchen - Three piece bathroom - Garage -

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**Eastwood £219,995**

An outstanding semi detached character style bungalow which must be viewed internally to be fully appreciated. Situated in this popular and convenient residential area close to park, local schools, shops and regular bus routes to surrounding areas. The property affords spacious well presented living accommodation with two good size bedrooms, attractive fitted kitchen, Upvc double glazing, super lounge with fireplace, good sized rear garden and extensive off street parking. Early viewing essential.

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**Wickford £215,000**

A three bedroom semi detached house situated close to Wickford Memorial Park. Inside, this home benefits from a lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, utility room and cloakroom. Outside there is a rear garden which measures approximately 60ft in length with ample off street parking to the front. This property is offered with no onward chain and ideal for a quick sale.

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**Rayleigh £129,995**

A spacious well presented ground floor retirement apartment in this prestigious sought after development. The property is conveniently situated for all local amenities and benefits many fine features including an 18'3 lounge/diner with own door to front, attractive fitted kitchen, double glazing and a fully tiled bathroom. Early viewing advised, key held.

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**Rayleigh OIEO £200,000**

Delightful semi detached two bedroom bungalow - Spacious well presented living accommodation - conservatory - Good size attractive rear garden - Popular established residential location - Convenient for town centre and mainline station - Many fine features throughout - Off street parking - Internal viewing strongly advised - Reduced for immediate sale

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**Hadleigh £525 pcm**

Deceptively spacious one bedroom first floor flat offering a modern fitted kitchen, good sized lounge & communal garden area. This property is situated within a minutes walk of Hadleigh town centre & local amenities. Viewings strongly advised.

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**LETTINGS****LETTINGS****Leigh On Sea £600 pcm**

Two bedroom ground floor flat in prestigious block with allocated parking. Situated south of the London Road. Keys held for viewings. Available immediately.

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**Benfleet £575 pcm**

One/two bedroom ground floor flat offering modern accommodation, communal garden & parking. Situated within a quiet location. Viewings essential.

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**Leigh On Sea £725 pcm**

Immaculate purpose built two bedroom ground floor flat situated within the heart of Leigh on Sea within walking distance to shops & mainline train station. offering spacious accommodation, modern kitchen & parking. Available immediately.

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**LETTINGS****LETTINGS****Hadleigh £850 pcm**

Deceptively spacious three bedroom end house, situated within a convenient location benefiting from a modern kitchen, three good sized bedrooms & garage. Viewings strongly advised.

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## LEIGH ON SEA OFFERS OVER £339,995

A deceptively spacious west backing four bedroom semi detached character house, offering a wealth of charm situated south of Leigh Road and therefore ideally located for Leigh on Sea mainline station, bars, restaurants and shopping facilities ehl1493



## LEIGH ON SEA £199,995

viewing is essential to appreciate this outstanding three bedroom semi detached house, having been comprehensively refurbished throughout by the present owners, benefitting from off street parking, modern conservatory and contemporary decor throughout. ehl1496



## LEIGH ON SEA £154,995

Ideally located for the shops and restaurants of the broadway and within walking distance to mainline station, a two bedroom south facing purpose built flat offering some views of the estuary and which also benefits from undercover parking. ehl1441



## LEIGH ON SEA £279,995

We have pleasure in offering for sale this three bedroom semi detached house benefitting from garage, off street parking, en-suite to master bedroom and ground floor w.c. being situated in this convenient location within walking distance to broadway shops, bars and restaurants. No onward chain. ehl1489

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## LITTLE WAKERING £189,995

BACKING WEST TO FARMLAND... Lovely extended two bedroom bungalow, much improved throughout. Double glazed, gas c/h, bathroom with shr cubicle, fitted kitchen/brk room, off road parking, immaculate decor. Extensive farmland views. Ref: ebe2702



## SOUTHCHURCH VILLAGE £184,995

THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS.... Spacious extended family house close to shops, station etc in popular area. Three reception rooms, conservatory, double glazing, gas central heating. Sure to sell swiftly. Early viewing advised. Ref: ebe2733



## SOUTHEND £109,995

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## SOUTHEND £126,995

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## SOUTHEND OFFERS OVER £85,000

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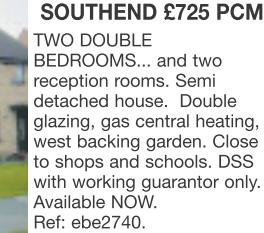
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WONDERFUL IN WIMBORNE... Favoured Southchurch Village position. Superb and much improved 3 bedroom, 2 reception family house. 85'0" south backing garden, newly fitted kitchen and bathroom, double glazing, gas central heating, no onward chain. Recommended. Ref: ebe2732



## SOUTHCHURCH VILLAGE £156,500

DEFINITELY DECEPTIVE... 3 double bedroom cottage style house in popular area, close to shops and station. Double glazing, central heating, good decor, south backing garden. Early viewing advised. Ref: ebe2692



## SOUTHEND £725 PCM

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**RAYLEIGH OIEO £200,000**

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**WESTCLIFF-ON SEA £205,000**

Sole Agents. Spacious beautifully appointed house incorporating many features throughout, Close all amenities, Superb 18' x 13' 7" max Bedroom/ Loftroom, 17' Master Bedroom, Further Double Bed, 2 Elegant Recep, Kitchen, Upvc Double Glazing, Bath/WC, Garden, Viewing Essential.



**RAYLEIGH £215,000**

Three bedroom semi detached house, immaculately maintained throughout, 24' 11" living room, separate dining room, secluded rear garden, modern bathroom, garage, viewing absolutely essential.



**RAYLEIGH £235,000**

An immaculately presented three bedroom semi detached house situated in the popular and convenient bird's estate. Accommodation include ground floor cloakroom, two reception rooms and an en-suite to master bedroom. Viewing of this fine home is essential.



**RAYLEIGH £249,995**

Delightful three bedroom detached house, two reception rooms, modern four piece bathroom, detached garage, highly sought after location within fitzwilliam catchment area, no onward chain, viewing absolutely essential.

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**EASTWOOD OIEO £250,000**

Popular Location Close Green Lane. An Attractive Well Planned Link Detached Family House Comprising 4 Beds, Ground Floor Shower Room, 19'4 Fitted Kitchen/Diner, 20'1 x 13'6 Lounge, Double Glazing, Bath/WC, Rear Garden and Garage, Highly Recommended.



**RAYLEIGH £279,995**

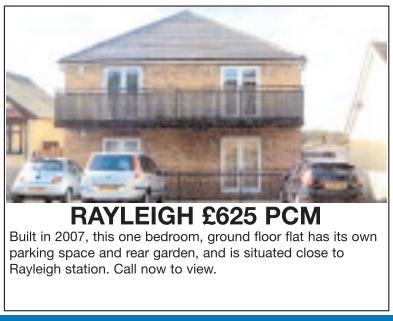
Four bedroom detached house, immaculately maintained throughout, popular and central location, ground floor cloakroom, impressive kitchen, conservatory, viewing essential.



**RAYLEIGH £355,000**

Super four bedroom detached house, highly regarded and convenient location, two reception rooms, kitchen and utility room, en-suite to master bedroom, four piece family bathroom, 100' rear garden, viewing absolutely essential.

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**RAYLEIGH £625 PCM**

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**RAYLEIGH £725 PCM**

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**RAYLEIGH £825 PCM**

This is a superbly maintained two bedroom house located on the ever popular Little Wheatleys Development. The property is available to working tenants only in early March.



**EASTWOOD £950 PCM**

Available immediately! We are pleased to offer to let this three bedroom semi detached house which has been recently decorated and features and impressive fitted kitchen, separate dining area and a delightful rear garden. Viewing come highly recommended.

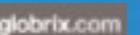
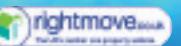
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**HOCKLEY £449,950**

Situated in a sought after location within walking distance of village shops, schools and a main line railway station is this truly immaculate five bedroom detached family home. The property has a rear garden measuring in excess of 140ft and has a detached pitched roof garage measuring 19'4 x 19'3. EWH3855

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**HOCKLEY £410,000**

A character four bedroom detached family home built circa 1896 which has three reception rooms, an established rear garden measuring 51ft wide by 123ft deep and benefits from having plenty of off-street parking which in turn leads to a detached pitched roof double garage. The property is close to all local amenities and very close to Hockley Woods. Viewing strongly advised. EWH3878

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**HOCKLEY £385,000**

Situated within walking distance of village shops, schools and a main line railway station is this four bedroom detached family home. The accommodation includes two reception rooms, four good size bedrooms, en-suite to bedroom one, a utility room and a rear garden measuring approximately 90ft in depth. EWH3874

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New Instruction



**HOCKLEY £265,000**

Presented in immaculate condition is this extended three double bedroom semi-detached chalet with a double glazed conservatory measuring 22' x 18'6 (max) overlooking the 71ft south facing rear garden, with off-street parking for several vehicles to the front which in turn leads to a detached garage. The property is located very close to shops, schools and a main line railway station. Viewing strongly advised. EWH3877

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**HOCKLEY £174,995**

A three bedroom terraced house with a double glazed conservatory and a 64ft rear garden which provides access to its own garage with off street parking. The property is situated on the popular Betts Farm Estate very close to station, shops, schools and local woods. Offered with immediate vacant possession. EWH3875

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**ROCHFORD £184,995**

A three bedroom semi-detached chalet which benefits from a kitchen/diner measuring 11'10 x 10'7, a 53ft rear garden, off-street parking to the front for several vehicles and has space for a detached garage. The property is close to local schools, shop and station. Viewing advised. EWH3868

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**ASHINGDON £379,950**

A spacious four bedroom detached family home with two reception rooms and a kitchen/breakfast/family room which overlooks the 140ft rear garden. The property is in a popular location close to local shops, schools and is only a short distance of a main line railway station. Offered with immediate vacant possession. Keys held for viewings. EWH3715

Sales Office 01702 200666

Reduced



**HAWKWELL £189,995**

We are pleased to offer for sale this two/three bedroom semi-detached family home. The property is double glazed, has gas radiator heating and conveniently situated within walking distance of the village, local schools and station. EWH3810

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**ROCHFORD £239,995**

We are pleased to offer for sale this spacious three bedroom semi-detached chalet situated in a popular residential location close to all local amenities. The property benefits from a rear garden measuring approximately 80ft deep, off-street parking and garage. EWH3870

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**HOCKLEY £279,995**

An immaculate three bedroom detached chalet situated in a sought after location within walking distance of village, local schools and a main line railway station. The property has a lounge measuring 20'1 x 13'6, kitchen/breakfast room measuring 19'4 x 8'6, is double glazed and has gas radiator heating. EWH3872

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**HOCKLEY £275,000**

Currently undergoing extensive improvements is this three bedroom semi-detached bungalow. The accommodation will include a spacious entrance hall, luxury kitchen measuring 13'6 x 11', double glazing, gas radiator heating and a rear garden measuring approx 56ft. The property is situated in a sought after location and within walking distance of shops, village, Hockley Woods and a station. No onward chain. EWH3869

Sales Office 01702 200666

New Instruction



**ROCHFORD £229,995**

We are delighted to offer for sale this immaculate three bedroom extended semi-detached bungalow. The property benefits from a lounge measuring 24'8 x 10'5, separate dining room, newly fitted kitchen, newly fitted bathroom, off-street parking to front and garage. Viewing strongly advised. EWH3873

Sales Office 01702 200666

Reduced



**HOCKLEY £199,995**

Located in a quiet cul-de-sac yet very close to shops, schools and a main line railway station is this three bedroom semi-detached house presented in very good order. The property benefits from a kitchen/diner measuring 16'2 x 11'6 max, off-street parking and a garage. Viewing strongly advised. EWH3850

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**Ashingdon £1,400 pcm**

UNFURNISHED FOUR BED HOUSE IN QUIET LOCATION WITH 120' GARDEN. AVAILABLE LATE FEBRUARY. NON SMOKERS ONLY. PETS CONSIDERED. GARAGE EXCLUDED.



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THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE CLOSE TO STATION, SCHOOLS & VILLAGE. EMPLOYED TENANTS AND NON-SMOKERS ONLY. NO PETS. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.



**ROCHFORD £495 pcm**

AN UNFURNISHED ONE BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT, CONVENIENT FOR THE STATION. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. EMPLOYED TENANTS ONLY.



**RAYLEIGH £1,100 pcm**

UNFURNISHED FOUR BED DETACHED HOUSE WITH GARAGE AND PARKING. EMPLOYED TENANTS AND NON SMOKERS ONLY. PETS CONSIDERED. AVAILABLE EARLY APRIL.



**EASTWOOD £825 pcm**

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**HOCKLEY £650 pcm**

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Hockley £369,950



Peaceful Setting

- Peaceful setting
- Elevated location
- 1.25 acres
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms
- Ample parking
- Potential to extend
- Enquiries advised
- Ref: ESH1436

LEIGH ON SEA £365,000



Built 2010

- Contemporary style living accom.
- Built 2010
- Open plan lounge
- Luxury planned kitchen/breakfast room
- 3 Bedrooms
- Superb en-suite and separate wet room
- Ground floor cloakroom
- Low maintenance windows and exterior cladding
- Ref: ESH1421

Hockley £239,000



New Instruction

- Favoured Location
- Through Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Sun Lounge
- 3 Bedrooms
- Gas heating
- Attached Garage
- South facing garden
- Close Hockley Woodlands
- Bath room w.c.
- Ref: ESH1435

Hockley £209,950



New Instruction

- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Three bedrooms
- Dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Bath room w.c.
- Detached garage
- Established west backing garden
- No onward chain
- Ref: ESH1437

Ashingdon £485,000



Secluded Location

- Sought after location
- Built 2004
- Lounge with Inglenook fireplace
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- 3 Bedrooms
- Under floor heating
- Double Garage
- 1/2 acre plot
- Delightful south facing garden
- Ref: ESH1423

Rochford £236,995



New Instruction

1999

- Extremely spacious lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Gas central heating
- Three bedrooms
- Jacuzzi bath
- En-suite bathroom
- Detached garage/long driveway
- Large side and rear gardens
- No onward chain
- Ref: ESH1434

Hockley £164,950



Just Reduced

- First floor apartment
- Spacious accommodation
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- En-suite bathroom
- Detached garage/long driveway
- Large side and rear gardens
- No onward chain
- Ref: ESH1378

Hawkwell £235,000



New Instruction

- Some modernisation
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Garage with parking
- No onward chain
- New Gas heating
- Ref: ESH1438

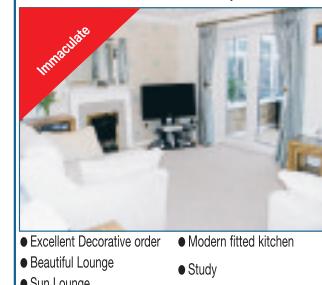
Rochford £199,950



90' Garden

- Popular location
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Upvc conservatory
- Garage
- 65' Rear Garden
- No Onward chain
- Ref: ESH1426

Rochford £210,000



Immaculate

- Excellent Decorative order
- Beautiful Lounge
- Sun Lounge
- 3 Bedrooms
- En-suite shower Room
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Study
- Family Bathroom
- Ref: ESH1422

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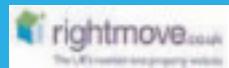
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NEW PRICE



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NEW PRICE



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NEW PRICE



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NEW INSTRUCTIONS



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Character, Semi Detached House. 3 Bedrooms. Lounge/Diner. Fitted Kitchen. Delightful Garden. Garage. Must Be Viewed.

NEW INSTRUCTIONS



LEIGH £265,000

Semi Detached House situated central position. 3 Bedrooms. 2 Reception Rooms. Garden. Ample Garage Space and Parking. Must Be Viewed.

NEW INSTRUCTIONS



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NEW INSTRUCTIONS



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NEW INSTRUCTIONS



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### Think Property Reply

I am guessing that your own intentions with this property is to continue offering it as a property let. If that is the case, then essentially there is nothing you need to do.

The existing assured short hold tenancy agreement which should have been checked over by your solicitor - will remain valid until the end of its fixed period. Once it ends you can either allow them to continue as a statutory periodic tenancy or you can ask the tenant to sign a new AST.

Now I recommend asking your tenant to sign a new AST at this time, especially if you want to change the rent.

Another important thing that the vendor's solicitor must do before the deal is completed is write to the tenant informing them of this property sale, and that from the date of completion they must pay rent to you.

Similarly, your solicitor will need to agree with the vendor the completion statement which allows for any remaining rent paid in advance and the landlord's interest in the tenant's deposit (this will need to be transferred to you at the scheme where it is held).

### Tenant Question

*Can you make alterations such as putting up shelves on a wall in rented accommodation?*

### Think Property Reply

To do so would cause damage to the walls so you do not have the right to do this, however a landlord may agree to you doing so, so it is worth asking. You should ensure you get any permission in writing.

A landlord may also agree to small alterations on the condition that the tenant puts the property to right at the end of the tenancy, for example filling in screw holes and repainting where necessary.

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## Rayleigh Branch



# Connells

### RAYLEIGH

£169,950



In need of modernisation is this two bedroom semi-detached bungalow which is situated in a popular residential area. Amongst the many benefits on offer is an enclosed rear garden, garage and off road parking. Keys are held for internal viewing.

### WICKFORD

£179,995



Situated on a walk way within a cul de sac is this terraced family home. In brief the accommodation comprises of dining room, lounge, kitchen, ground floor cloakroom, three bedrooms and family bathroom. The property is located in a much sought after area and internal viewing is recommended.

### ROCHFORD

£194,950



Being offered with no onward chain is this two bedroom detached bungalow. The property is does require some modernisation. In brief the accommodation comprises of lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. There is a shared driveway and further off road parking to the front. Viewing advised.

### RAYLEIGH

£199,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property which is in need of modernisation and offers ground floor shower room, 25' lounge/diner, kitchen, utility room, three bedrooms, garage/workshop and driveway parking. The property benefits from having no onward chain.

### EASTWOOD

£220,000



Being offered with no onward chain is this detached bungalow which is situated within a popular residential area. Amongst the benefits on offer there is a detached garage, off-road parking, two bedrooms, a lounge/diner, kitchen and bathroom. Keys are held for immediate internal viewing.



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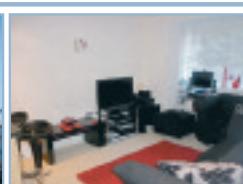
£245,000



Situated in the popular village of Hullbridge is this detached family property, the accommodation comprises lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, ground floor cloakroom and first floor bathroom. EARLY VIEWING RECOMMENDED.

### RAYLEIGH

£156,000



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this modern two bedroom ground floor apartment which benefits from having its own rear garden. It is located in the heart of Rayleigh town centre. Early viewing is recommended.

### EASTWOOD

£229,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom detached bungalow with a 35' lounge/diner, conservatory, cloakroom, bathroom, kitchen and 16' master bedroom. The property also offers a garage and car port. Early viewing advised.

### RAYLEIGH

£249,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this four bedroom semi-detached property located in the Fitzwmarc catchment area of Rayleigh which benefits from having a 19' lounge, 17' kitchen/diner and a garage. The property also benefits from having no onward chain. Early inspection recommended.

### RAYLEIGH

Offers over £200,000



Available with no onward chain is this character two bedroom semi-detached bungalow having the benefit of a mature and secluded rear garden measuring approximately 70 ft in length.

### HOCKLEY

£339,999



Dating back approximately 600 years is this three bedroom detached cottage which is situated within the heart of Hockley. The property boasts many features which include a vaulted beamed ceiling to the lounge, dining area, kitchen, utility room and four piece bathroom.

### RAYLEIGH

£183,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom well maintained mid-terrace property located on the popular Birds Development of Rayleigh.

### EASTWOOD

GUIDE PRICE £325,000



Price Range £325,000 - £339,999. This two bedroom detached bungalow has undergone much improvement by the present Vendor and benefits from having views from the rear garden across open farmland. The accommodation comprises of lounge, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, garage and off-street parking.

### EASTWOOD

£560,000



We are pleased to offer for sale this five bedroom detached property with the added benefit of a one bedroom self-contained annexe situated in a much sought after location. The property is being offered with no onward chain and early viewing is recommended to appreciate the accommodation on offer.

### RAYLEIGH

£215,000



We are pleased to offer for sale this extended two bungalow which benefits from having dining room, lounge, kitchen and offers no onward chain.



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#### Rayleigh

- ▶ Price Range £200,000 - £220,000
- ▶ Attractive garden
- ▶ Close to station
- ▶ Two bedrooms
- ▶ Double glazing
- ▶ Gas central heating
- ▶ Kitchen Diner
- ▶ Block paved driveway
- ▶ Viewing advised

Offers over £200,000



Rayleigh  
Offers over  
£350,000

- ▶ Price Range £350,000 - £385,000
- ▶ Four bedrooms
- ▶ En-suite bathroom
- ▶ Kitchen breakfast room
- ▶ Study
- ▶ Modern bathroom & en-suite



Rayleigh  
Offers over  
£200,000

- ▶ Two bedrooms
- ▶ 55' x 27' Rear garden



Rayleigh  
Offers over  
£340,000

- ▶ Four bedrooms
- ▶ Two receptions



Barling  
£249,995

- ▶ 22'7 Kitchen diner
- ▶ Garage
- ▶ En-suite
- ▶ 59' Rear garden
- ▶ Rural setting
- ▶ Modern bathroom



Rayleigh  
Offers over  
£175,000

- ▶ Close to High Street
- ▶ Opposite parkland



Rochford  
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- ▶ Close to station

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## ALAN KIRKMAN

**Q. I was surprised when the agent I was instructing to sell my property specifically asked to see proof of my identity. What's going on?**

A. Unlikely though this might sound, it's actually all to do with the international drive to try and clamp down on the flow of illegal funds around the world – whether it be the proceeds of organised crime, or finance for international terrorism. And it's quite a topical issue at the moment, thanks in part to events in Libya and elsewhere. Indeed, the Office of Fair Trading circulated a special information notice about it only last month.

What it amounts to is this: estate agents – along with many other financial institutions and professions such as banks, solicitors, accountants and financial advisors – are now required by law (namely, the Money Laundering Regulations 2007) to check the identity of any new clients, and their ownership of the property in question. The same applies to any buyer with a suitcase stuffed full of used fifties. In practice, the rules are fairly simple:

First, we have to confirm your identity – so we need to see an item such as a passport or a driving licence.

Second, we need to see something official like a council tax or utility bill containing both your name and address. This document must be less than 3 months old. Mobile phone bills aren't acceptable.

Agents are also required to satisfy themselves that the information is accurate. This process may include verification through authorised third party sources. Why? Because, if the information subsequently turns out to be false, and the money involved in the property is somehow tied up with organised crime or terrorism, then the agent would need to be able to prove that he or she had taken all reasonable steps to check. Otherwise, it could mean a substantial fine or even imprisonment. Needless to say, if the agent does have any suspicions, then these must be reported to the Serious Organised Crime Agency.

Is this yet another example of Big Brother in action, of the state prying even deeper into our lives? Not when you consider what is potentially at stake. However, it's still one more thing we as agents have to deal with. So, spare us a thought!



ALAN KIRKMAN is Director of Essex TEAM - part of the UK's largest branded network of independent estate agents, with 50 computer-linked offices across the county and 500 more nationwide. Managing Director of Tudor Estates in Southend, Alan has been an Estate Agent for over 25 years.

## Essex-based developer launches new homes in London

Housebuilder Weston Homes has launched a new luxury waterside housing development in Uxbridge, North London. Located between the River Colne and Grand Union Canal, the King's Island scheme was unveiled to the public last weekend following a ceremonial launch on 2nd March 2011 overseen by the company's founder and chairman, Bob Weston, and Sharron Davies, the champion swimmer turned media figure and television commentator.

The private gated development, built on the site of the William King Flour Mill, with views over the waters of the river and canal, will feature a wide selection of apartments and townhouses.

The Victorian mill building is set to be refurbished and converted to apartments. Two new apartment blocks will also be created. In all, the finished scheme will comprise 127 one- and two-bedroom apartments and 24 new and converted three- and four-bedroom townhouses.

Prices range from £180,995 to over £700,000.

Bob Weston says: "There is a continuing demand for family homes in the UK. King's Island provides a perfect setting for families, which include some of the finest luxury finishes available on the market today. The new-build apartments offer a blend of modern architecture and sympathetic renovation and a level of comfort and style that will last long into the future and are ideal for couples or downsizers."

Weston Homes, named What House? Housebuilder of the Year 2010, is renowned for the high level of standard specification in all its new homes.

The impressive specification of the four-bedroom show home includes: en-suite wet-rooms to the two main bedrooms; ceramic stone floors and underfloor heating feature on the ground floor; a high-quality kitchen fully equipped with fitted, name-brand appliances and with a separate utility room; a delightful large deck overlooking the weir, accessible by space-saving concertina doors from the kitchen and living room; and a secluded roof deck and study sharing the top floor with the master bedroom suite, complete with its wet-room and dressing area.

The new apartments will have a balcony or terrace accessible from the open-plan kitchen/dining room and all of the two-bedroom designs benefit from an en-suite to the master bedroom in addition to the main bathroom. Allocated parking is also provided.

With relatively few new homes developments in Uxbridge on the market, interest in this scheme is expected to be high. As well as local residents, the company is targeting overseas and expat investors searching for new homes in London's suburbs which can provide them with steady tenancy and good returns.

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## Sales



**LEIGH ON SEA £285,000**

An opportunity has arisen to purchase this completely refurbished and attractive three double bedroom terrace house situated within a sought after location of Leigh, South of the London Road A13 and close to Leigh Broadway. The property offers spacious accommodation and has the advantage of newly installed kitchen and bathroom along with heating system and double glazing. West backing garden.



**SOUTHEND ON SEA £179,995**

Being situated just off the seafront in Southend is this four / five bedroom terraced house offering large ground floor living accommodation with three reception rooms. The property requires general refurbishment throughout which has been reflected in the asking price.



**MILTON CONSERVATION AREA £339,950**

Being situated within the sought after Milton Conservation Area is this attractive and character spacious family home. The property offers good size living accommodation including two separate reception rooms and also benefits from five double bedrooms with the master bedroom having an en-suite shower room/wc. Further bathroom/wc and shower room/wc on the second floor. Park Road is situated within the sought after Barons Court school catchment area and also has the added advantage of off street parking.



**CLIFFTOWN CONSERVATION AREA £340,000**

A unique opportunity has arisen to purchase this end of terrace house which is currently arranged as two self contained apartments. The property is situated within the sought after Clifftown Conservation Area and offers potential to be converted back to a single house or alternatively purchased as an investment with two apartments. The property has the advantage of block paved off street parking.



**WESTCLIFF ON SEA £239,950**

Immaculately maintained four bedroom semi detached family house being situated within a popular location of Westcliff within close proximity to Hamlet Court Road and Westcliff station. The property offers spacious accommodation throughout and includes a feature open plan kitchen/diner. There is off street parking and viewing is recommended to appreciate the size of accommodation on offer.



**THORPE BAY £395,000**

As vendors sole agents we are favoured with instructions to offer for sale this fully refurbished two bedroom detached bungalow situated within a sought after location of Thorpe Bay within Bourne Green catchment area. The property offers attractive and spacious living accommodation and benefits from newly installed quality kitchen and bathroom fittings along with gas central heating and double glazing. Garage and parking along with attractive gardens.



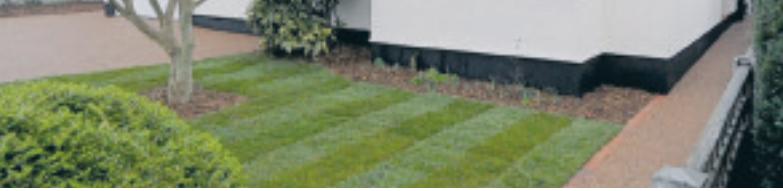
**SOUTHEND ON SEA £215,000**

Substantial semi detached family house being situated within a popular location within close proximity to Victoria railway station and town centre. The property benefits from four bedrooms and three reception rooms and has the advantage of a West backing rear garden and off street parking. The property is double glazed throughout although full internal modernisation is required.



**ROCHFORD £147,500**

Being situated within Rochford is this vacant semi detached two bedroom bungalow benefitting from gas central heating and double glazing. The property offers spacious reception room along with kitchen/ breakfast room and early vacant possession.



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**SOUTHEND ON SEA £149,995**

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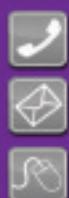
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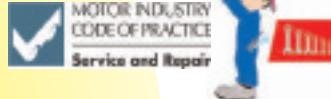
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## road test

# Make your Qashqai go further

by Andy Enright

**P**ERHAPS we should have seen vehicles like the Qashqai coming a while back when Nissan decided not to replace the Almera with anything directly comparable.

That was one of the first signs that the Japanese company was ditching the traditional family hatch market and moving into producing more 'lifestyle' choices amongst its vehicle portfolio.

The slow-selling Primera wasn't doing much for the company's bottom line and so it has devoted its attention to cars like the Qashqai, the 370Z, the Pathfinder and the X-Trail. Financial reports look like that's been a smart move.

The 2.0-litre dCi engine generates 150bhp at 4,000rpm and a healthy 320Nm of torque at 2,000rpm. Co-developed by Renault and Nissan, the engine is decently refined yet not slow to deliver its mid-range performance.

Nissan hasn't skimped when it comes to transmissions, the Qashqai 2.0 dCi being supplied with either a six-speed manual box or a six-speed auto option.

The Qashqai drives in an assured manner on the road and feels more like a conventional family hatchback than a 4x4 with its simple suspension and absence of body roll. The latest cars have

revised suspension settings to improve things further in this area and refinement that's boosted by multi-layer insulation in the front bulkhead and a special soundproof windscreen.

The ALL-MODE 4x4 system is available on the 2.0-litre vehicles with the others sending drive to the front wheels only. This is an electronic system which automatically engages four-wheel drive the moment a loss of traction is detected.

Nissan makes no bones of the fact that the Qashqai is anything but an off-roadster, citing its lack of ground clearance. What precludes it from tackling rutted

tracks makes it a better car on the blacktop, the hunkered down centre of gravity giving a nimble feel.

The Qashqai, in reality, is somewhere between an all-wheel drive-orientated family hatchback and a road-orientated compact 4x4 and it incorporates MPV-style practicalities as well. Like many rivals, the Qashqai offers the choice of a two or a four-wheel-drive platform, the front-wheel drive model being perfectly adequate for 95 per cent of customer's requirements.

In case you were wondering where the wacky name came from, it's pronounced 'kash-kai' and is named after a desert-dwelling nomadic tribe from South Western Iran.

For larger families, there's the option of a Qashqai-2 seven-seater model. Here, the doors have been redesigned and the side windows are bigger, as is the rear tailgate window, making the back feel anything but claustrophobic.

Trim levels run from Visia through Acenta to N-Tec and Tekna but there are quite a dizzying range of variants depending on whether you want auto or manual gearboxes, five or seven seats, sat nav or just a dog eared A-Z or whether you want to fork out for all-wheel-drive or stick with power going to the front pair of wheels only.

Even the Visia models are well appointed with ESP stability control, 16-inch alloy

wheels, a CD stereo with four speakers, Bluetooth compatibility on the audio system, air conditioning and a drive computer.

Trade up to Acenta and you get features such as rain sensing wipers, cruise control, rear parking sensors, a better stereo and 17-inch alloys. N-Tec gets you the Nissan Connect sat nav system while Tekna models add leather upholstery, funky interior mood lighting, heated front seats and xenon headlights.

There's little doubt that the Qashqai will find ready buyers when the time comes to sell as it

seems to have struck a chord with British customers looking for a socially responsible alternative to the usual 'Chelsea tractor.' The front wheel drive cars are in even hotter demand than the four-wheel drive models as a result.

The Qashqai 2.0dCi is a brilliant city scooter, being tall enough to spot a gap, narrow enough to fit through it and short enough to park once you get where you're going. It's also decently economical and doesn't draw the wrong sort of attention.

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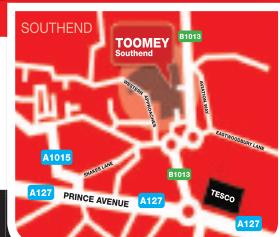
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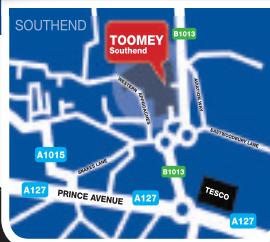
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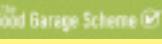
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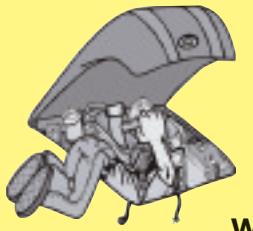
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With eyes on stalks waiting for an errant Volkswagen Polo to edge into the outside lane, a double mocha-cino was about the last thing on my mind.

Since then it's happened a couple of other times, the Attention Assist system monitoring the steering angle, the length of time you've been behind the wheel and comparing these variables against a computer program in charge of judging driving behaviour. And it's been bang on the money each time, realising when I was getting drowsy and wagging its finger at me. It's been estimated that drowsiness causes around 30 per cent of all fatal accidents on European roads,



which is more than drink and drug-related fatalities combined but until recently, there has been very little that could be done to monitor this situation.

In fact, it's fair to say that many of the latest innovations in vehicle technology have, if anything, contributed to reducing the amount of attention we pay to our surroundings.

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things a little too relaxing?  
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Mercedes' Attention Assist system is certainly a step in the right direction, but the little coffee cup and the chime are perhaps a little too subtle.

I'm thinking Ace of Spades at full volume on the stereo, all the windows lowered, the massage seats switched to Turkish wrestler mode and some pungent odour sprayed from a nozzle in the steering wheel.

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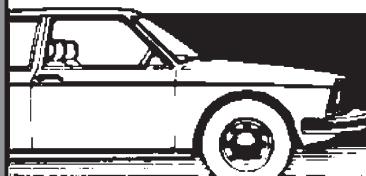
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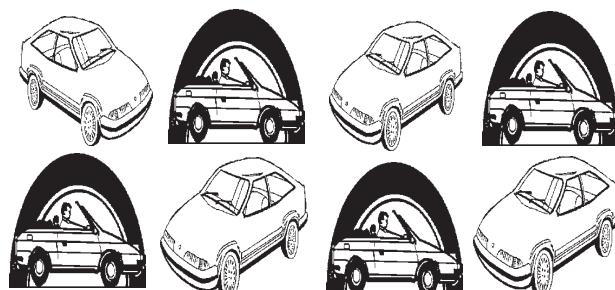
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## Clutch of medals won by judo competitors

### Judo

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The event, which attracts top competitors from all over the UK is high on the list for the club, with three full-time and two part-time members taking part.

These included Sarah Wood, who is blind, club coach Nick Collins and club welfare officer Mark Stenhouse.

Gold medals were won by Nick and Mark in their contests, while Sarah put in an amazing performance to win silver.

Her coach, John Flanagan, said: "It must be remembered that Sarah only has 18 months judo training under her belt and has to fight sighted opponents.

"She has also asked for more ladies to give judo a go, rather than all those butch men!"

The club are offering judo free for a month for any female aged 14 or over when they present this article to the club.

For more information, call John Horrigan on 07899 961341 or visit the website at [www.southendjudo.co.uk](http://www.southendjudo.co.uk)

**MEDAL: Judo competitor Sarah Wood won silver.**

## Jaded Blues go down to first away defeat in 2011

### Southend United

SOUTHEND United suffered their first away defeat in Npower League Two since December, going down 2-1 at Morecombe on Saturday.

The Blues, who are eyeing a play-off spot, fell behind to a Chris McCready header on 28 minutes.

Barry Corr equalised through the penalty spot five minutes into the second half for Southend, but Stuart Drummond headed in what proved to be the winner just after the hour mark, as set-pieces proved Southend's downfall.

Blues boss Paul Sturrock said: "I

think disappointed is the word I would use."

"We looked very leg weary and after the first ten minutes we were just waiting for Morecombe to score."

Southend started sluggishly and nearly went behind after seven minutes when Shrimpers keeper Rhys Evans produced a superb save to keeper out James Spencer's header.

Fellow strike partner Danny Carlton headed wide as Southend struggled to get a foothold in the game.

Morecombe finally got the break-

through when McCready headed home from eight yards from Laurence Wilson's corner.

It was nearly two seven minutes later when a in-swinging free-kick took a deflection off Chris Barker, but Evans managed to tip it over the crossbar.

Southend nearly went into half-time level when Louie Soares superb volley was tipping onto the crossbar by Shrimps keeper Barry Roche.

Five minutes into the second half and Southend were level when Anthony Grant was bundled to the floor by Kevan Hurst, and Corr

stepped up to score his 13th league goal of the season.

But the Blues were again exposed at a set-piece when Wilson's free-kick was met by Drummond to head home on 63 minutes.

It could have been three four minutes later when Carlton's rasping drive hit the crossbar.

Southend huffed and puffed but they could not breakdown Morecombe's defence.

■ The Blues hosted Gillingham last night (Tuesday), before travelling to Lincoln City - managed by former boss Steve Tilson - on Saturday, kick-off at 3pm.

## Pressure mounts up for City and Thurrock with defeats

### Non-League Football

THE WHEELS seem to be coming off Chelmsford City's promotion charge in Blue Square South after the Clares suffered another defeat, this time losing 2-1 at Eastleigh on Saturday.

City have not won in the league since Valentine's Day, and are losing momentum in their battle to gain a play-off place.

Tom Jordan put Eastleigh ahead after 10 minutes, before Jamie Slabber added a second seven minutes after the break.

Although Dave Rainford pulled a goal back through the penalty spot, the Clares recent form will be a cause for concern for head coach Glenn Pennyfather.

Thurrock have been dragged back into the relegation fight after losing 3-1 at fellow strugglers Dorchester Town.

Fleet took the lead through Kenny Clark after six minutes, but goals from Reece Connelly and Chris Flood (2) completed the comeback for Dorchester.

Billeray Town slipped out of the play-offs in Ryman League Premier after suffering a shock 1-0 defeat at lowly Hastings United - Ollie Rowe heading in the goal.

Concord Rangers slipped to ninth after losing 2-1 at Cray Wanderers who move above them.

Tony Dolby and Leigh Bremner put Crays ahead in the second half. Tony Stokes pulled a goal back for Concord but it was not enough.

AFC Hornchurch moved up to seventh with their third consecutive victory. Martin Tuohy's fourth minute goal was enough against relegation strugglers Croydon Athletic.

Canvey Island remain in the play-off chasing pack after a comfortable 3-1 win over Horsham.

Rob King, Jason Hallett and Alex Rhodes saw Gulls in control before Jamie Cade's consolation for the visitors.

Aveley boosted their battle against the drop with a 2-1 victory at Hendon.

Tony Russell and Danny Slatter put the Millers 2-0 up in the first

half, and despite Brian Haule quickly pulling a goal back for Hendon, Aveley hung on.

It's all square at the top of Ryman League Division One North, with East Thurrock United level on points behind leaders Needham Market.

The Rocks won 1-0 over Maldon & Tiptree thanks to Max Cornhill's 69th minute header.

Near neighbours Grays Athletic did East Thurrock a favour by drawing 1-1 at Needham.

Sam Newson put the Marketmen ahead after 14 minutes, but Grays equalised thanks to Dean Pennant's strike six minutes after the interval.

Brentwood Town are up to third following their 1-0 victory over Potters Bar Town thanks to Darren Blewitt's goal on the hour mark.

Heybridge Swifts drew 2-2 with play-off chasers Enfield Town after falling behind 2-0.

Liam Hope and Leon Osei put Enfield 2-0 up inside half hour, but Swifts battled back thanks to goals from Chris Bryan and Luke Callander.

Waltham Abbey suffered a disappointing 1-0 home defeat to Harlow Town - Getro Kilapi grabbing the only goal.

Romford's play-off hopes are fading, losing 3-0 at home to relegation battlers Tilbury, who moved ten points clear. Harry Cook, a Ben Turner own goal and Steve Good did the damage.

Bottom side Waltham Forest drew 0-0 with Great Wakering Rovers, while Forest's landlords Ilford maintained their two point advantage above them following their 2-2 draw at Thamesmead Town.

Nick Davis's opener for Ilford in the second half was cancelled out by Adam Bolle's penalty.

Clydie Roberts restored Ilford's lead but Raphael Momodu scored in the last minute.

Redbridge are nine points clear of Forest after picking up another 1-1 draw, this time at home to Ware. Luke Marshall's 78th minute goal looked good enough for Ware, but Kevin McLeod levelled on 88 minutes with a free-kick.

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### Rugby Union

## Barking lose lead while Southend earn good win

BARKING lost the lead at the top of National League One despite winning 20-23 at Blaydon on Saturday.

London Scottish won 29-11 over Cinderford but picked up a bonus point to move ahead of Barking. The Eastenders had to come from behind to pick up victory, and were made to pay from missed conversions from Blaydon.

Converted tries from Barking's Scott Shaw and Simon Barber made it 7-7 inside the first 14 minutes.

But despite Adam Armstrong's penalty, Blaydon moved ahead thanks to unconverted tries from David Williams and Jason Smithson.

Armstrong and Matt Mellish exchanged penalties to make it 20-16, before Tom Cobb ran over the vital try for Barking on 66 minutes, converted by Armstrong.

Southend maintained fourth place in National Two South with a 18-26 win at Clifton.

Tries from Mike Stanley and Mark Billings, plus kicks from Andrew Frost secured the win.

In London One North, Westcliff worked hard for their 13-24 win at Letchworth Garden City, while Chingford suffered another defeat, losing 12-8 to in form Eton Manor.

Thurrock lost out 16-3 at Colchester, while Brentwood came out on top in an exciting match against bottom side Stevenage Town, winning 38-29. Woodford had no answer to Sidcup in second, losing 47-0.

Rochford Hundred maintain a point lead over Braintree in London Two North East following their 24-0 victory over Saffron Walden.

Romford & Gidea Park remain third with a 15-17 victory at Old Streetonians, while Chelmsford are just a point behind following their 36-17 win over Sudbury.

Canvey Island saw off Beccles by 19-11.

### Essex FA

## Nominate your unsung heroes

NOMINATIONS are needed for the unsung heroes of Essex grassroots football.

Essex County Football Association (FA) is hosting the second annual FA Community Awards, presented by McDonald's, and are looking for nominations for the eight award categories.

They are:-

- Outstanding contribution to Community Football Award.
- Volunteer of the Year.
- Young Volunteer of the Year.
- Coach of the Year.
- FA Charter Standard Community Club.
- FA Charter Standard Development Club.

- FA Charter Standard Club of the Year.
- FA Charter Standard League of the Year.

Phil Sammons, chief executive of Essex FA, said: "Grassroots football is hugely important to the development of football at all levels in this country."

"Whether you are a referee, coach or player your first experience of the game will be in the grassroots game but without the hard work dedication of our volunteers, grassroots football would cease to exist."

Nominations close on Friday, March 18, and a shortlist of candidates will be selected by a judging panel which includes Sir Geoff Hurst, Sir Trevor Brooking and members of the national media.

The winners will be announced at the FA and McDonald's Community Awards dinner, held at Wembley on the day of the Community Shield on August 7.

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